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HUNGARY MAKES DEMARCHÉ IN PRAGUE

Czechs Reject Blame For Sharp Border Clashes

Prague, To-day.

The Hungarian Charge d'Affaires has made a demarche to the Czecho-Slovakian Foreign Office placing responsibility for yesterday's frontier incident upon the Czech Government.

A communique issued here, announcing that the frontier fighting was continuing at 5 o'clock last evening, accuses the Hungarians of starting the incident by attacking a patrol of three Czech gendarmes without reason.

The communique adds that the gendarmes opened fire. Subsequently, the Hungarian troops opened well-organised fire against the Czech military posts.

The Government has reserved its reply to the Hungarian protest until investigations have established which side was blame-worthy.

The Hungarian charge d'affaires was also informed that a high Czech staff officer is at present at Mukacevo, where he agreed with Hungarian staff officers that a mixed commission of Hungarian and Czech officers investigate the incident.

"MORE THAN LOCAL INCIDENT"

In Budapest, the Hungarian news agency asserts that a tank, trench-mortar and machine-gun were captured on Hungarian territory.

A broadcast from the Hungarian capital yesterday afternoon declared that the view taken in Budapest appeared to be that it must be regarded as more than a local incident.

It is noteworthy that Mukacevo, the scene of the fighting, was formerly in Ruthenia, and was transferred to Hungary by the Italo-German arbitration following the Munich Agreement.

FIRE CONTINUES

Artillery fire was still in progress on the frontier last evening,

according to a news agency report from Mukacevo.

The official agency report says that the attack directed against the town was repulsed, and that the Czech forces were thrust back across the frontier.

The report adds that neither Hungarian armoured cars nor artillery have hitherto been used in the fighting.

MAGISTRATE WOUNDED

Meanwhile, the examining magistrate, who was travelling with an officer by car to discuss a settlement with two Czech officers, is reported to have been wounded in the head by machine-gun fire en route to the meeting place.

It is reported that the Czecho-Slovak batteries continued to shell Mukacevo while the negotiations for termination of the fighting were proceeding in the Town Hall in the afternoon. It is stated that a soldier and a child were wounded.

CABINET MEETING

The Hungarian Cabinet discussed measures to cope with the situation for an hour last night. Earlier, the Hungarian Foreign Minister, Count Czaky, had formally notified the Italian and German Ministers of the situation.

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—CONSTANCE— TALMADGE DIVORCED

Chicago, To-day.
The film actress Constance Talmadge, has been granted a divorce from her husband, Townsend Netcher.
She had been twice previously divorced.—Reuter.

TOM MOONEY OUT TO-DAY: 20 YEARS AFTER

San Quentin, To-day.

Tom Mooney, who has been in prison for twenty years for alleged participation in a bomb-throwing incident in San Francisco and who is now being pardoned, was in high spirits yesterday.

He was packing his belongings in prison in readiness to begin a new life of freedom.

He is making plans for use of

VERY STRONG HUNGARIAN DEMARCHÉ

London, To-day.

The Hungarian protest to Prague over the border clash is described to Reuter at the Hungarian Legation in London as "very strong."

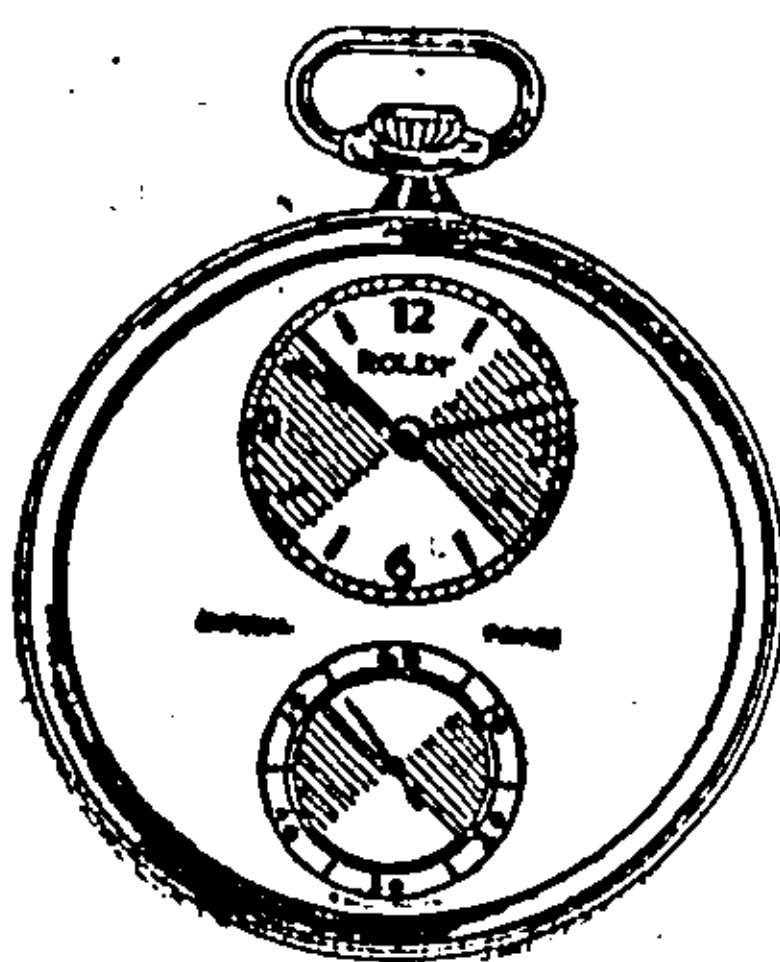
It is learned that the protest expresses regret that Hungary's endeavours to bring about an improvement in Hungarian-Czech relations should be frustrated by an act of aggression.

It is stated that the protest also declines responsibilities for future incidents.—Reuter.

his freedom, and declared: "I am going to dedicate the rest of my life to the necessary freeing of Warren Billings."

Billings was sentenced in similar circumstances.

It is expected that Mooney will go to Sacramento to-day to receive his pardon at the hands of Governor Olson.—Reuter.



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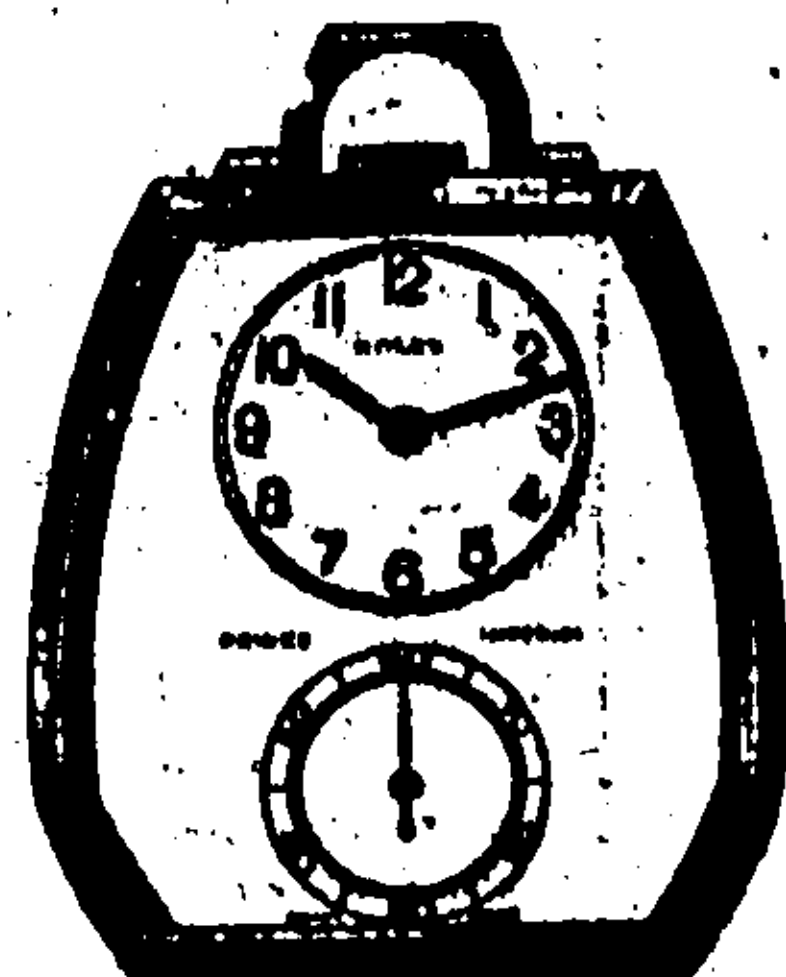
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His Tongue Was Fire, His Brain Was Ice, And Misery Was His Fortune.

HITLER grew great on misery. While he denounced the harsh Treaty of Versailles, lashed the greed of Jewish capitalists and the treachery of Jewish Communists, cried out against the brutal insolence of negro soldiery on German soil, cursed the dump horror of mass unemployment, and promised the prospect of sunlit days—Hitler thrived. When the French retired baffled from the Ruhr (and later from the Rhine), when Liberal and Tory Governments regained the power from the Socialists in "Red" Berlin, when the mark was stabilised and American investment poured back gold into German industry—Hitler sank.

The Nazi Party, which had secured a fifth of all the seats in the Bavarian Diet, and had 32 members in the German Reichstag, began to dwindle as swiftly as it had arisen. The general election brought the M.P.s down to 14, the Bavarian local group was quartered. Discontent and sullen insubordination spread through the Party ranks. From his Landsberg gaol Hitler threatened, resigned in vain. Gaping rifts appeared throughout the entire movement.

Hitler sulked, swore, screamed. But he kept his head. The fire pours forth from the mouth of this extraordinary man. The brain remains ice.

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Straight from gaol he hurried to the new Bavarian Catholic Prime Minister, offered to support his Government "against the Reds." The reception was cool.

Hitler made off for the Diet, rushed into the Party meeting there carrying his famous whip, and abused everybody. He then declared the Party dissolved. A new Party

The Story Behind 'MEIN KAMPF'

would be immediately started—and every member would take a personal oath of loyalty towards him. Bitterly as many resented his bullying all knew that without Hitler the Hitler Party simply did not exist. They surrendered.

Down to the Beer Hall next, where his own biggest fiasco had been staged. The monumental magnificent impudence of the fellow! His sense of psychology was right once more. Four thousand people crammed the place. When Hitler walked in they shrieked for joy, jumped on the tables and wept.

He shouted, "All feuds must end! The past must be the past! Henceforth we march over the enemy's corpse, or he over ours!" Julius Streicher held out his hand to Feder, whom he heartily hated; Esser embraced Frick, whom he would happily have murdered. A sea of slush engulfed the whole gathering. Hitler displayed superb mastery of men. In that hour and from that hour onward he was called Fuehrer, Leader.

He needed every inch of his towering political ability to keep his head above water for the next six years. Hitler was nearly submerged by Prosperity. Not until the world passed into the gigantic slump of the 'thirties and unemployment in Germany increased to seven millions did he establish his situation firmly.



Goebbels, the pale, club-footed, envious playwright, rose to dominate the beer halls with his viperous tongue.

He quarrelled with Captain Rohm, who still wanted to march and drill and arm the Stormtroopers as a reserve army to reinforce the Reichswehr—or possibly a rival army to coerce the Reichswehr. Hitler had had enough of trying to snatch power by arbitrary methods. His plan henceforth was gain power by legal steps and apply the big stick afterwards.

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Rohm, tough, tubby, scarred, the restless mercenary who might have stepped from the bloody pages of the Thirty Years War, went off to train Bolivia's army to fight in the swamps of El Chaco. Goebbels, pale, club-footed, envious playwright, entered the Nazi ranks and rapidly rose to dominate the Berlin beer-halls with his viperous tongue. It was the epoch of the propagandist, the gunman's turn would come again.

The Movement halted. At the Party Congress in 1926 Hitler reviewed a beggarly 5000 brownshirts. The genius of the photographer Hoffmann presented it as a mighty host. In the north Gregor Strasser won new territory for the Nazis, but it was more a Strasser-Goebbels fief than a Hitler one. They spouted pure socialism.

The Fuehrer was determined to bust up that partnership. It brought in the crowds to the cheap seats, but not the Select who should fill the stalls. And the Hitler Party was desperately hard up. At the next Congress he attacked the Left wingers and crushed them. Goebbels promptly deserted his comrade and lined up behind the boss.

Hitler rammed home his victory. He was already in touch with Kirdof, the redoubtable 82-year-old master of the gigantic Ruhr Coal Syndicate. Hugenberg, chairman of Krupp, controller of UFA Film Trust and the supreme Press lord of Germany, was angling for Hitler's mass backing for his protest campaign against the Young Plan the most recent effort to screw reparations out of German industry. He was ready with enormous subsidies to pay for the effective propaganda. With a pang Hitler thought of the modest mark per month per member which was

the main revenue of the Nazis. He closed the deal.

The Movement executed a wheel, marched to the right. "Anybody who goes vote-catching by promising higher wages in the present enslaved condition of Germany is a scoundrel!" roared Hitler. Accused of joining hands with Reaction, he jeered: "Good God! Who are the revolutionary front, then? Paul Levi, Jacob Goldschmidt and Wolmuth (Bavarian Catholic leader)?" Every Hugenberg newspaper front-paged the Nazi orator, the newsreels featured him, the money rolled in to the party chest. Said Hitler to his colleagues: "We are passing a magnet over a dung heap. See how much iron is coming out!"

Otto Strasser, who stood even further Left than his brother Gregor, protested. He was drummed out. Gregor submitted.

Mutiny broke out among the Berlin Brownshirts, they stormed Party Headquarters to demand their pay. Thanks to his new rich friends Hitler could produce it at last. He rushed to Berlin, pleaded with the mutineers, wept before them—and produced the money. He was not yet in the position to treat mutiny as he would one day.

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The world trade blizzard began to blow. And for Hitler it blew nothing but good. His political fortunes mounted with the unemployment roll. The Communists appealed to the workless workmen. The Nazis appealed to the workless workmen, clerks, insurance agents, sales managers, to the bankrupt shopkeepers, farmers, business men, to the men "too old at 40" and to youths redundant at 18. Wide and far Hitler cast his net. The day after the general election, September 14, 1930, he counted the fish—107 seats in the Reichstag! At a bound the Nazis became the second party in State. "When we talk power," yelled Hitler, "heads will roll in the sand!" Even Germany shuddered.

Hitler recalled Rohm from South America. In twelve months that organising genius had licked the storm Troops into a militia of 600,000 men. They were "not young ladies," as Hitler admitted, but they were magnificent street fighters.

And the street was the battleground of Germany in 1930-31-32. Seven million unemployed had nothing to do but loaf around the street. Rohm opened his ranks to the toughest and most bitter. With the Reichswehr he opened negotiations.

Meantime Hitler challenged Hindenburg for the Presidency. By eighteen million votes to eleven million he was beaten. He fought like a tiger at the second count. He was beaten again. However, he polled thirteen million.

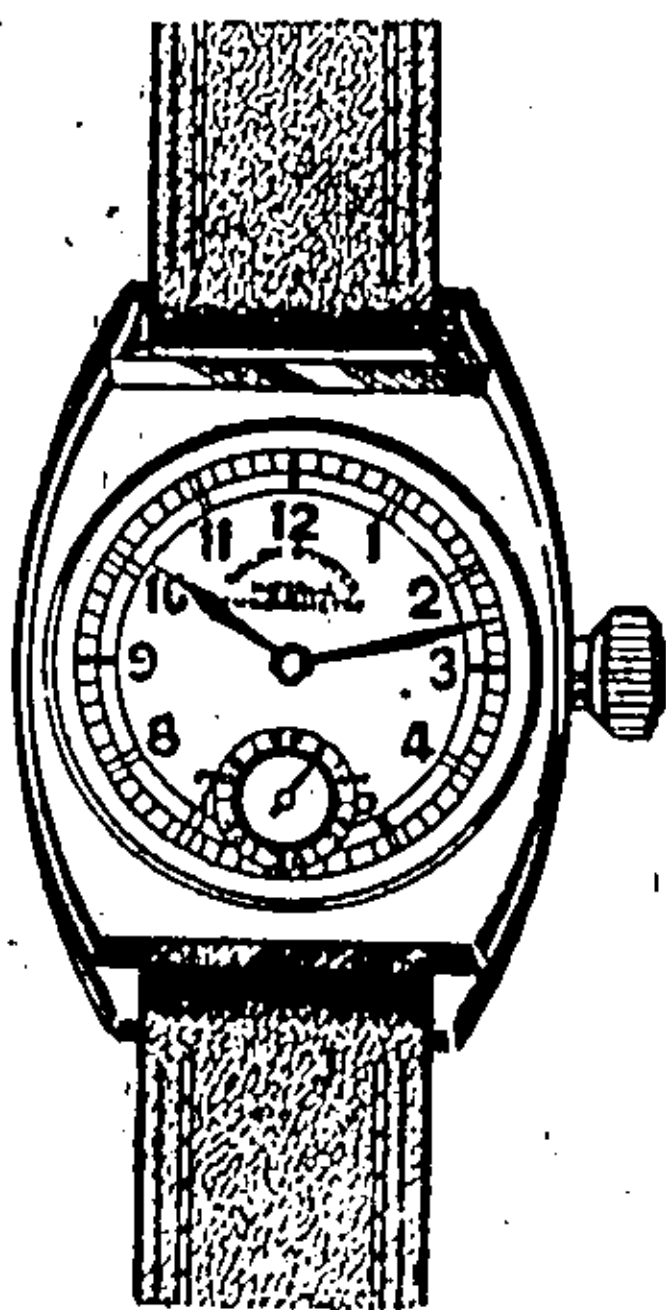
He stormed through Germany, over Germany, flying by night to vast torchlight demonstrations of a hundred thousand people. They waited eight hours in drenching rain to hear him. Goebbels stage managed the greatest circus of all time. Rohm paraded the army of the streets. Eighteen abreast the storm-troops tramped. "Clear the path for the Brown Battalions! Raise high the flags!" The trumpet sound, the drums roll, the effective propaganda. With a pang Hitler thought of the modest mark per month per member which was

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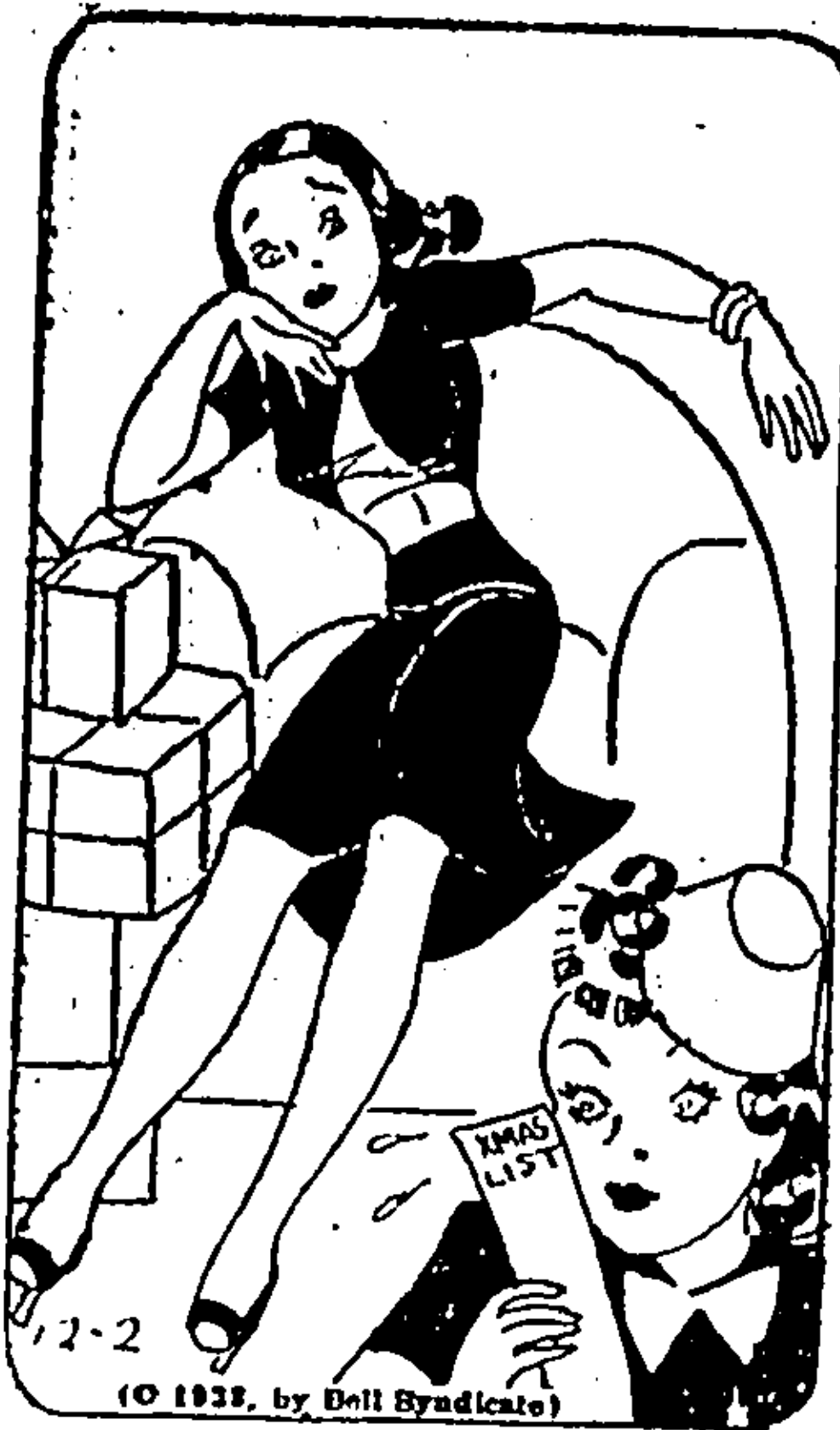
By MARY BLAKE

You must have plenty of self-discussions pertaining to social assurance this day. If you have a firm conviction stick to it and let no one talk you out of it. Some prudish influence will be the cause of an unusual amount of pettiness, in

activities. You will gain more by controlling your temper this day than by losing it. There might be a strong temptation to do things in a headlong, pell-mell fashion. This must be resisted, for your personal affairs to turn out satisfactorily. Qualified statements are likely to be the only ones safe to make this day. Statements made without restrictions might be taken advantage of to your embarrassment. Married and engaged couples, as well as those engaged in the pursuit of romantic happiness will find if they try to throw dust into anyone's eyes this day they are liable to get some into their own.

If a woman and January 7 is your birthday, you may find yourself in clover through some good fortune. You are perhaps able to feel at home anywhere. You ought to have a quick wit, ready tongue and a keen appreciation of humour. Success is likely to come to you if you are exceptionally well-informed regarding some particular subject. Be cautious in money matters, especially in the way you make use of credit, for it is very easy to run up an account, but sometimes it is not such a simple

Witty Kitty



Fore-handed Flora contends she's had this "Do Your Christmas Shopping Early" drilled in so thoroughly that now hers is done and she has nothing to rouse that Christmas spirit.



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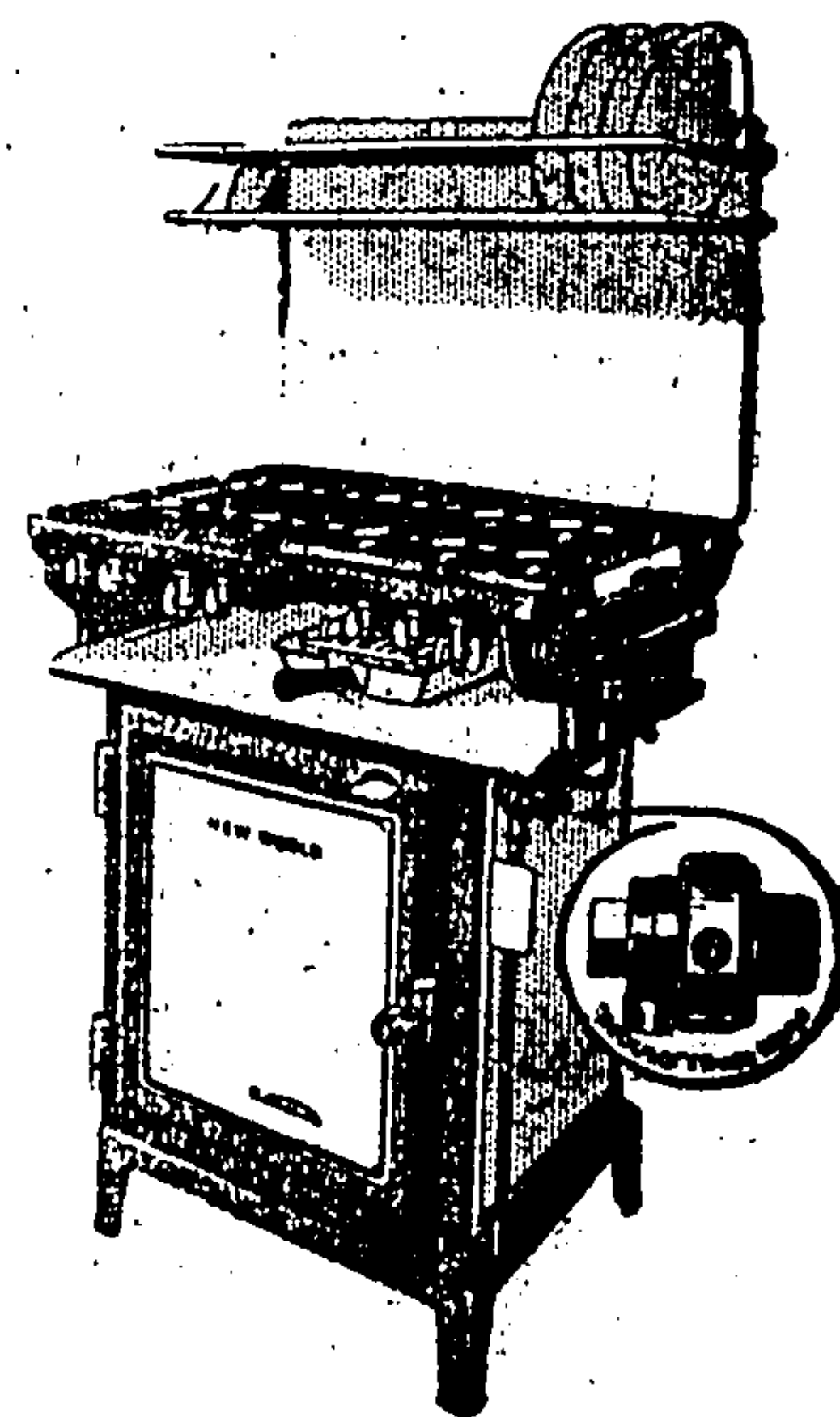
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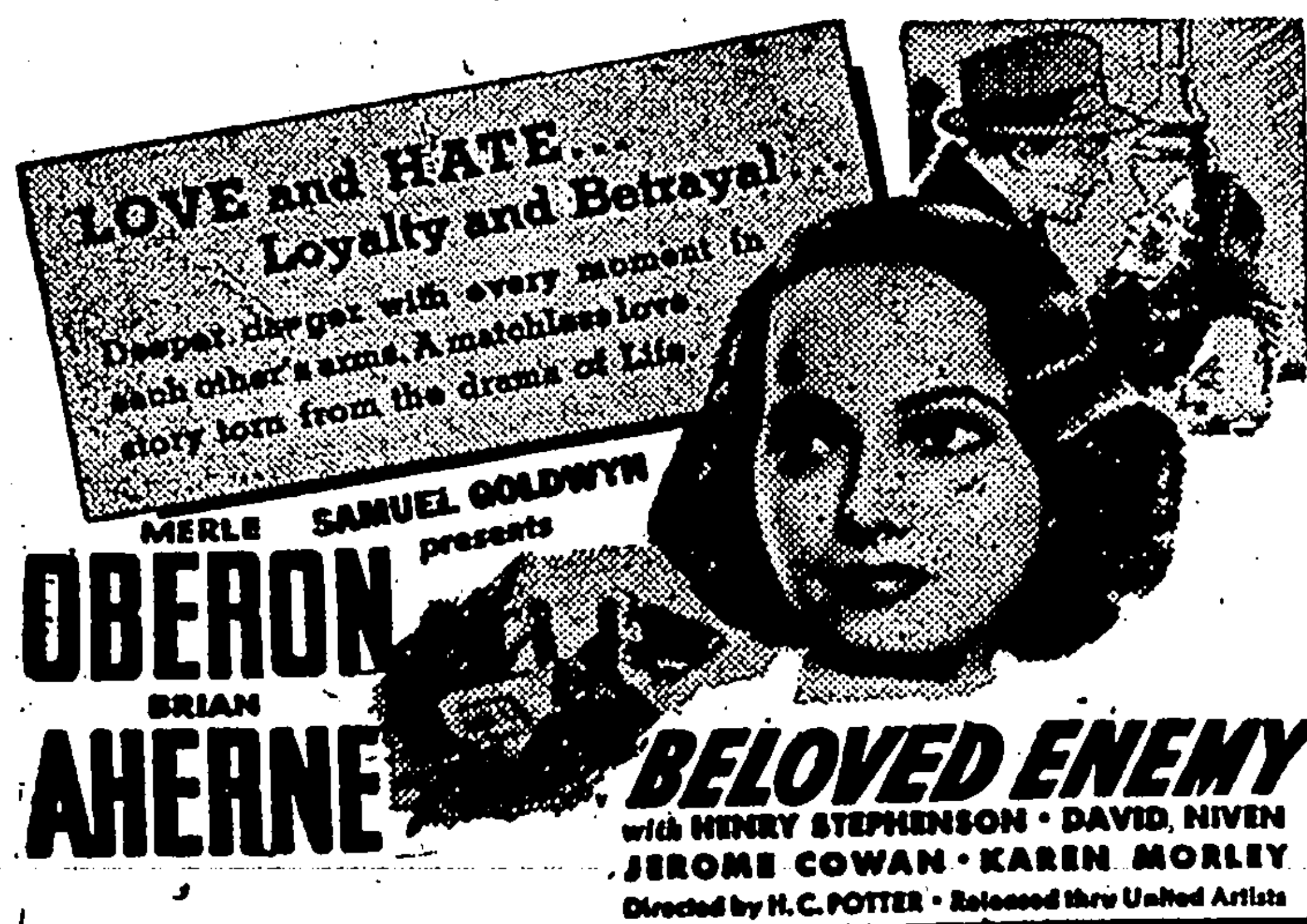
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NO TERRITORY AND NO TALK ABOUT IT, SAYS DALADIER

Algiers, To-day.

ANOTHER inspiring speech was made yesterday by the French Premier, M. Edouard Daladier, during his tour of French colonial possessions in North Africa.

Speaking at a banquet given by the Governor, he said:

"France wants peace with all countries, and wishes all the great problems of modern times to be settled not by war but by constructive effort, but if anyone interprets this attitude as a sign of weakness or abdication, then I will cry halt."

BLUNT REFUSAL

"I don't blame the violent polemics to which allusion has been made, but I am rather tempted to thank the authors, for from beyond our frontier they have revealed France to the French."

"When I say I will maintain the integrity of the French Empire, I not only said I would not yield an acre of territory but meant that I would not be led into juridical procedures which some people would like to set on foot."—Reuter.

Charles Boyer, who stars in
"Algiers" at the King's Theatre.

POLICE IN THE QUEEN MARY

Carried To Cherbourg

Officials and visitors who went aboard the Queen Mary at Plymouth recently were carried on to Cherbourg and Southampton.

They had gone aboard by tender and intended to return to Plymouth an hour or so later with passengers who were due to land there. The weather became so bad, however, that nobody could have the ship.

Among the party who had plotted.

boarded the liner were Scotland Yard officers. They were investigating a report that a band of terrorists, sworn to assassinate Prince Paul, Prince Regent of Yugoslavia, were in the liner.

It was found that two Croats were on board, but they were men of irreproachable character. They left the ship at Cherbourg.

Special branch officers also boarded the liner, but were satisfied that there was no truth in the report of an assassination plot.

B.B.C. To Have Five Studios Underground

Five underground studios will begin shortly and 1,000,000 cubic yards of earth will be removed. The area of the new site is 20,960 square feet, compared with 17,390 feet of the existing building. No official estimate is given of the cost of the extension, but the present Broadcasting House cost £850,000, and its equipment and furnishing another £200,000. Expenditure on the new building and its equipment will therefore probably be in the region of £1,000,000.

The building will comprise eight floors, and will have a maximum height of about 110ft, continuing the facade and skyline of the present structure. Five floors will be devoted to office accommodation, on the sixth there will be a staff rest room, on the seventh a control room extending the present control room, and on the eighth a restaurant with accommodation for 300 people. It is hoped that the work will be complete by the end of 1940.

The power plant is already below ground level, and an artesian well provides an independent water supply. There are already two other studios in the sub-basement.

The largest of the new studios will be 80ft long, 54ft wide, and 30ft high. Three dramatic studios, one for sound effects, and a number of rehearsal rooms are also being provided. To insulate these studios from outside noises each will be constructed as a separate "shell," floated and isolated from the rest of the building.

EXCAVATION TO BEGIN SOON

The extension is being built on the site of a number of old mansions in Portlandplace and Duchess-street, demolition of which is well advanced. Work of excavation will

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Five alternative schemes for the elevation were submitted, and the one chosen has been approved by the Royal Fine Art Commission.

As a first stage a trench 30ft wide and 54ft deep is to be cut round the site for the construction of concrete retaining walls to withstand all pressures. The walls will be covered with asphalt, which will also be laid out over the whole site.

MAN WITH THE GARGANTUAN LAUGH

Ha! Ha! Ha! Ha! Oh! dear, dear, dear, me! Uh! Uh! Uh! Uh! Ha! Eh! Eh! Eh! Eh! Heeee;

And thus and thus, as the day goes by, and as the evening draws to a close.

That's the man who is reputed to have the most infectious laugh in the world — Mr. E. Latham ("Caddie") Cadwallader, of Gunnersbury-avenue, Ealing, W., who is the general manager of one of the biggest firms of electrical equipment manufacturers in the country.

It served as my introduction to Mr. Cadwallader when I met him recently in the Royal Automobile Club, Pall Mall, S.W., states a correspondent.

Never have I heard a man receive such an ovation in private. He might have been a stage star, a B.B.C. imitator, a film comic, or one of the Walt Disney "noises off."

"H! Ha! Ha! etcetra," echoed several dozen members of the R.A.C. "Ha! Ha! Ha!" repeated the assembled members of the Eccentric Club, even more loudly, as we entered for dinner. Mr. Cadwallader's reputation had gone before him.

The glasses on the R.A.C. bar and the stuffed owls in the Eccentric seemed to quiver with the infectious, reverberating laughter. Tired faces turned youthful. Worried faces became contented. Scheming faces lost their guile. Here, indeed, was a character.

No wonder Mr. Cadwallader has been offered several hundred pounds a month to act as laugh-creator at West End theatres and other places of amusement. He is the "fellow of infinite jest."

At his clubs I learned how he had been asked to leave West End music-halls because his infectious laughter had so gripped the audiences that acts had been held up — how in the clubhouses of greyhound tracks, he had unwittingly set 600 racing enthusiasts laughing so heartily that they forgot the sport — and how his laugh spread bonhomie among his 3,500 employees.

NOT ARTIFICIAL

"Don't hurry, Mr. Cadwallader," admonished the woman cashier at one club as he suggested leaving, lest we should outstay our welcome. "We like to hear your laughter."

"Well, Sir, you've given us a good laugh to-night," remarked another club servant.

Thus does Mr. Cadwallader make the world go round more brightly. "It's not artificial. I give a

cackle, a giggle, a resounding laugh, and up they go. Then I'm off," he explained to me. "I couldn't do it if people didn't laugh with me."

"Enter almost any Soccer, golf, or tennis club between London and Wolverhampton, Wolverhampton and Glasgow; enter many clubs here in London; or go almost anywhere in the electrical and transport world, and you'll hear of my laugh."

"I know it's catching, and I'm glad of it. I like to brighten up this glum old world. Trade depressions, rumours of war, and family troubles seem to become less worrying when everybody's guffawing."

"I DON'T NEED WINE"

"I don't need good food and wine, and I don't need congenial company to start me laughing. What I like best is to get a crowd of serious fellows and to set them going."

"Why, I even got Soviet politicians laughing when I visited Russia about ten years ago."

Fifty-six years old, with a wife and daughter, Mr. Cadwallader is the youngest of 13 children born to a Wolverhampton brewer. He is one of the most enthusiastic followers of Wolverhampton Wanderers, and when we met, he was entertaining the international referee, Mr. A. J. Jewell; he holds a season ticket between London and Wolverhampton.

Apart from football, Mr. Cadwallader's weakness is cigars — of which he stocks 2,000 — all in an air-conditioned cabinet which he has designed himself.

By the time he and I had parted, I was weak with laughter, but he was still chortling as loudly and infectious as ever. And everybody around him was laughing too. Yet only his George Robey eyebrows indicated that he was a well-known man of mirth.

The strange thing was that the expression of his gleaming eyes did not change, and that there was no movement of his lips. Yet his laugh ranged from high C to as low as G.

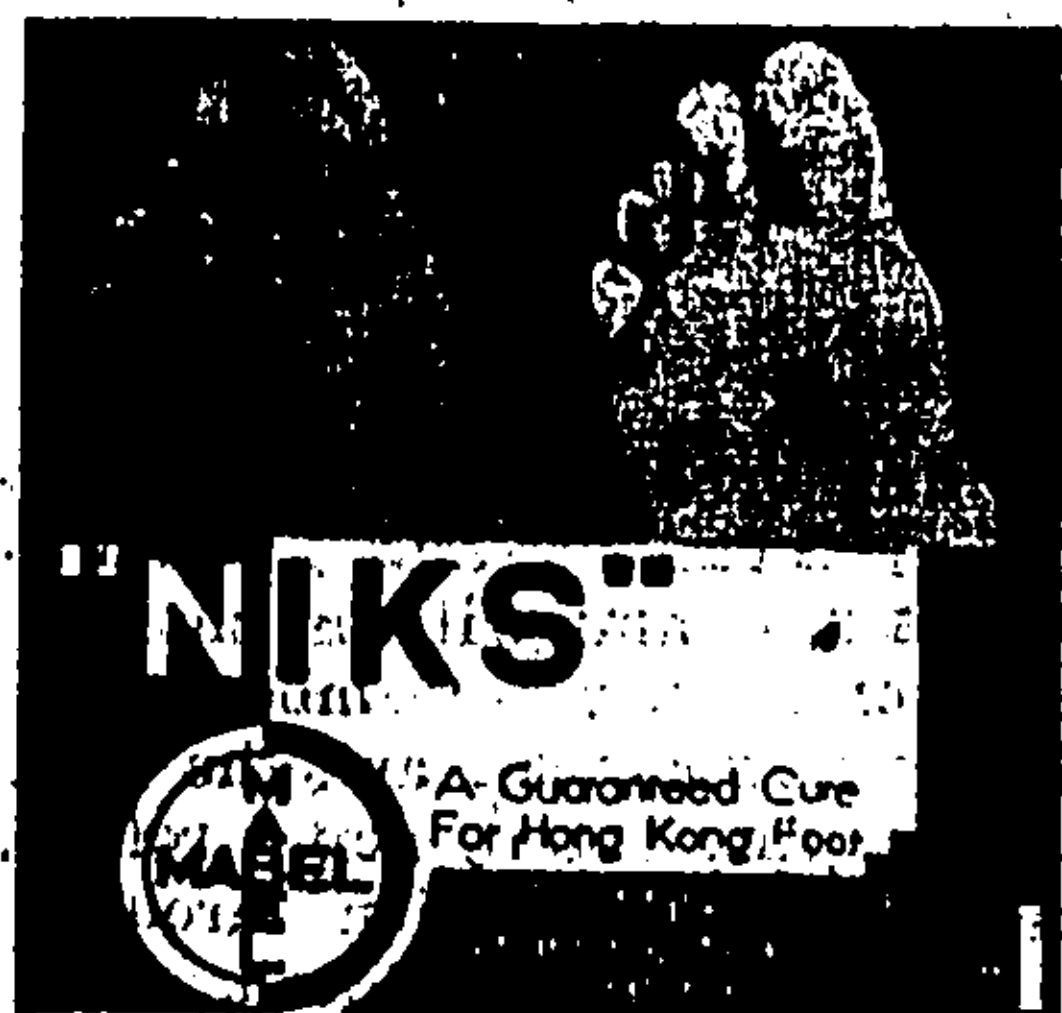
U.S. TO READ UNEXPURGATED "MEIN KAMPF"

New York, Jan. 2.

Two publishers in the United States have announced that during the coming year they will bring out a complete and "unexpurgated" edition of "Mein Kampf" by Adolf Hitler.

The edition will include all passages relating to Germany's plan for expansion towards the East and all those in which the Fuehrer expressed his hatred for France. These were cut out of the official English version upon Herr Hitler's instructions.

One of the publishers stated that he had decided not to pay the Fuehrer for the author's rights, but that he would remit the sum to charity institutions.—Havas.



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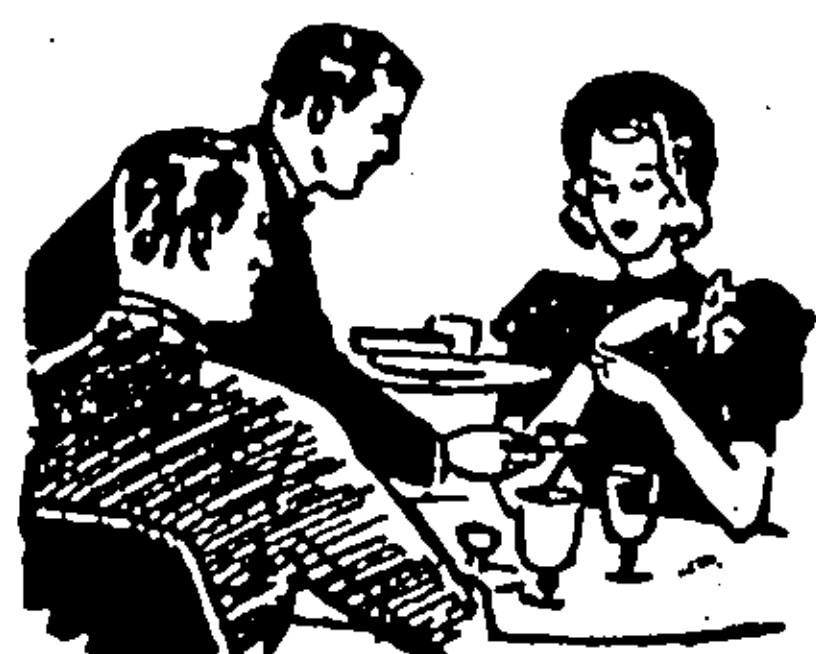
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MIAJA OFFENSIVE NEAR MADRID SWEEPING AHEAD: EFFORT TO RELIEVE PRESSURE ON CATALONIA

Paris, To-day.

Great importance is attached in Barcelona, according to reports reaching here, to the surprise thrust made by the Republican forces which led to the capture of Valesquillo, 12 kilometres north of Penarroja.

By ordering this offensive General Miaja, the Commander in Chief of the Republican forces, has sought to relieve the pressure on the Catalan front just as in July, 1938, General Franco's advance against Valencia was held up by the action of the Catalan forces in crossing the Ebro.

The region at which General Miaja is striking is rich in natural resources especially in copper, tin, lead and phosphorous ores.

It is reported that the Republican forces have succeeded in cutting off railway communication between Belinez and Cabeza del Buey.

The strong pressure exerted, it is admitted, has compelled the Republican forces to evacuate Artesa de Segre and Borjas Blancas.

Heavy fighting developed in these two sectors yesterday.

The Republicans stubbornly withstood the intensive onslaughts of the Italian divisions which were tested to the utmost despite the extent of mechanised war material at their disposal.

Republican airmen bombed with great precision the enemy positions and troops concentrations.

On the Estremadura front, the Republican troops have begun a victorious advance which is still in progress. Booty includes a complete battery of 105 millimetre Vickers guns, and numerous prisoners having been taken.—Trans-Ocean.

"STAR OF EGYPT" FOR SALE

London, To-day.

A very well-known firm of jewellers here has been instructed to sell the famous 250-carat diamond, "Star of Egypt," which 50 years ago belonged to the Khedive of Egypt and is now estimated to be worth from £50,000 to £70,000.—Trans-Ocean.

NEW POST FOR MR. EDWIN HAWARD

London, To-day.

Mr. Edwin Haward, former editor of the "North China Daily News" of Shanghai, has been appointed the British member of the Information Section of the League of Nations Secretariat, with permanent residence in London.—Reuter.

PALESTINE CONFERENCE TOWARDS END OF JANUARY

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE MOST INTERESTED PARTIES HAVE NOW SUBMITTED THE NAMES OF THEIR DELEGATES TO THE PALESTINE CONFERENCE, AND IT IS HOPED IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO BEGIN THE CONVERSATIONS TOWARDS THE END OF THE MONTH.

All Arab states will be represented, and Jewish organisations have appointed delegates.

Steps have been taken to try and secure adequate representation of the Palestinian Arabs, but hitherto their delegates have not been appointed.

The Dominions Secretary, Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, will preside at the conference.

GOVERNMENT PLAN

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, on his return from Rome, will devote much time in an attempt to solve the problem.

It is hoped the talks will not be unduly prolonged, but in the event of a deadlock the Government will announce proposals and put them in operation.—Reuter.

DALADIER TOUR BEING FILMED

Paris, To-day.

A film of M. Daladier's tour of Corsica, Tunisia and Algiers is being taken and will be shown in Paris next week to members of the French Government and the Diplomatic Corps, before being released for public exhibition throughout the country.—Trans-Ocean.

DIPLOMATIC MAIL BAG NOT INVOLVED AT IRUN

Official Statement By The Foreign Office

Documents Found In Consul's Despatch Case

London, To-day.

In order to remove any apprehension, the Foreign Office desire to make it clear that there is no question of any British diplomatic mail bag having been involved in the recent espionage incident at Irun, on the Franco-Spanish frontier.

The courier service by which the British Agent at Burgos, under an arrangement agreed upon between the British Government and the Burgos authorities, communicates with the Foreign Office, is in no way affected.

EMPIRE WOODS AT AIR TERMINAL

Emphasising the close bond between Imperial Airways activities and the Empire are the vast quantities of Empire woods which are to be used for the interior decoration of the Company's great new terminal at Victoria, which is already a landmark in the heart of London's teeming metropolis.

These woods, which will be used for panelling, pillars, doors and floors, will strike a pleasingly familiar note to travellers from countries all over the world, having been garnered from many lands including India, the Far East, Australia and Canada.

Canada's contribution is the beautifully grained birch, which will line the vast walls of the main booking hall, a hall from which it will be possible in the not distant future for air travellers to commence and finish a journey encircling the globe.

Light and silky in finish, these birch panelled walls will be in striking contrast to the dark polished teak from Burma, which will encase the impressive pillars standing sentinel around the hall.

Australian walnut, with its grain like delicately traced lace, will panel the passengers' restaurant and foyer, while all the main doors in the building are to be of solid English oak.

A new hard wood from India, called Gurjun is to be used for all floors.

HE LISTENED TO INSPECTOR HARNLEIGH

Boy Who Was "Attracted To Crime"

That a boy was attracted to crime through listening to "Inspector Hornleigh," the radio detective, was suggested in a case

The special inquiry ordered by Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, will be concerned with the local arrangement by which official correspondence or other matter was carried from the Vice-Consulate at San Sebastian to the British Embassy at St. Jean de Luz.

The seized documents and maps alleged to contain military information, were found in the despatch case of the British vice-consul in San Sebastian, Mr. William Arthur Harold Goodman, M.B.E.

The documents are said to have disclosed secrets of the big offensive which General Franco planned to begin against Catalonia. Mr. Goodman, on his way from San Sebastian to the British Embassy in St. Jean de Luz, passed through the Spanish frontier post at Irun.

He carried a despatch case, which he had brought in the course of his duty from San Sebastian.

FRONTIER CHALLENGE

The frontier authorities challenged him and accused him of carrying papers which had no connection with his official business. Mr. Goodman emphatically denied the suggestion.

The vice-consul insisted on the presence of a solicitor before the despatch case was opened. Then Mr. Goodman and the officials inspected the papers inside and came across a package which Mr. Goodman declared he had never seen before.

Mr. Goodman continued his journey to St. Jean de Luz, where he lives with his wife.—Reuter.

at Wimbledon Juvenile Court recently.

The boy, who is 14, had been to a psychology clinic, said the probation officer, and the doctors there suggested that the boy was fascinated by the crime riddles solved by "Inspector Hornleigh."

The boy was accused with committing a breach of recognisances, and being concerned with a 15-year-old boy in stealing women's handbags.

Both boys were bound over for three years and placed on probation on condition that they resided for the first six months in different boys' homes.

UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES

Washington, To-day.
It is officially stated that an investigation is being undertaken by the Department of Justice into alleged violations of the criminal statutes by Nazis, Communists and certain other groups.

The investigation began as a result of evidence before a committee of the House of Representatives on "un-American activities."—Reuter.

ITALIAN CONSUL IN TUNIS PROTESTS

Rome, To-day.

The Italian Consul-General in Tunis called at the French Residency yesterday to protest against the anti-Italian demonstrations on the occasion of the visit of M. Daladier and the alleged profanation of the Italian flag.

Developments in Tunisia are being followed with the liveliest attention. According to French statements, in French North Africa, including Tunis, 97 battalions of fusiliers, 8 regiments of Spahis and 30,000 men of others are already on the spot. It is remarked that it would appear as though certain circles in France are preparing for the "inevitable."—Trans-Ocean.

INDEFINITE SENTENCE ON COL. SNYDER

Hollywood, To-day.

Colonel Martin Snyder, former husband of the film player, Ruth Etting, was sentenced yesterday to "not more than twenty years' imprisonment."

He had previously been found guilty of attempting to murder Myrl Alderman, the film star's present husband.

A defence motion for a new trial was denied.

At the trial last month, Snyder was found not guilty on other charges, including an attempt to murder both Ruth Etting and their daughter, Edith Snyder.—Reuter.

FR. JACQUINOT FLYING HERE

Weather permitting Father Jacquinot is leaving Chungking for Hong Kong to-day on his way to Shanghai, according to a report from Chungking last night.

Father Jacquinot has been in Chungking for the last fortnight discussing refugee relief matters with the Central authorities.

CHIANG WELL PLEASED WITH CHINA OUTLOOK

Chungking, To-day.

China's situation this year is much better than last, declared the Generalissimo, Chiang Kai-shek, in a press interview yesterday.

Militarily, General Chiang said, China is carrying on her war of resistance smoothly and the morale of the Chinese forces is excellent.

He discussed the diplomatic situation with optimism.

He professed complete ignorance of Mr. Wang Ching-wei's peace opinions prior to publication of his statement on December 29. He said that Mr. Wang had never revealed these opinions while in Chungking. — Central News.

ITALIAN CLAIMS TO RIGHTS IN SUEZ CANAL

London, To-day.

Any attempt to make changes in the governing body of the Suez Canal Company would be certain to arouse the hostility of France and Britain, declares the "Daily Telegraph" this morning.

Actually, it says in a lengthy article headed "Italy and the Future of the Suez Canal," there is no real objection to the Italian desire to participate in the administration of the Canal. It can be safely predicted, however, that this would induce Italy to put forward new demands which would take on a political character. The Italian claims, says the "Daily Telegraph," are without legal justification.

DISTANCE TO THE NEAREST STAR

American Writer's
Statement

How far is it to the nearest star? An American writer says:—"Measured in miles, the figure would trail such a long string of ciphers as to be meaningless.

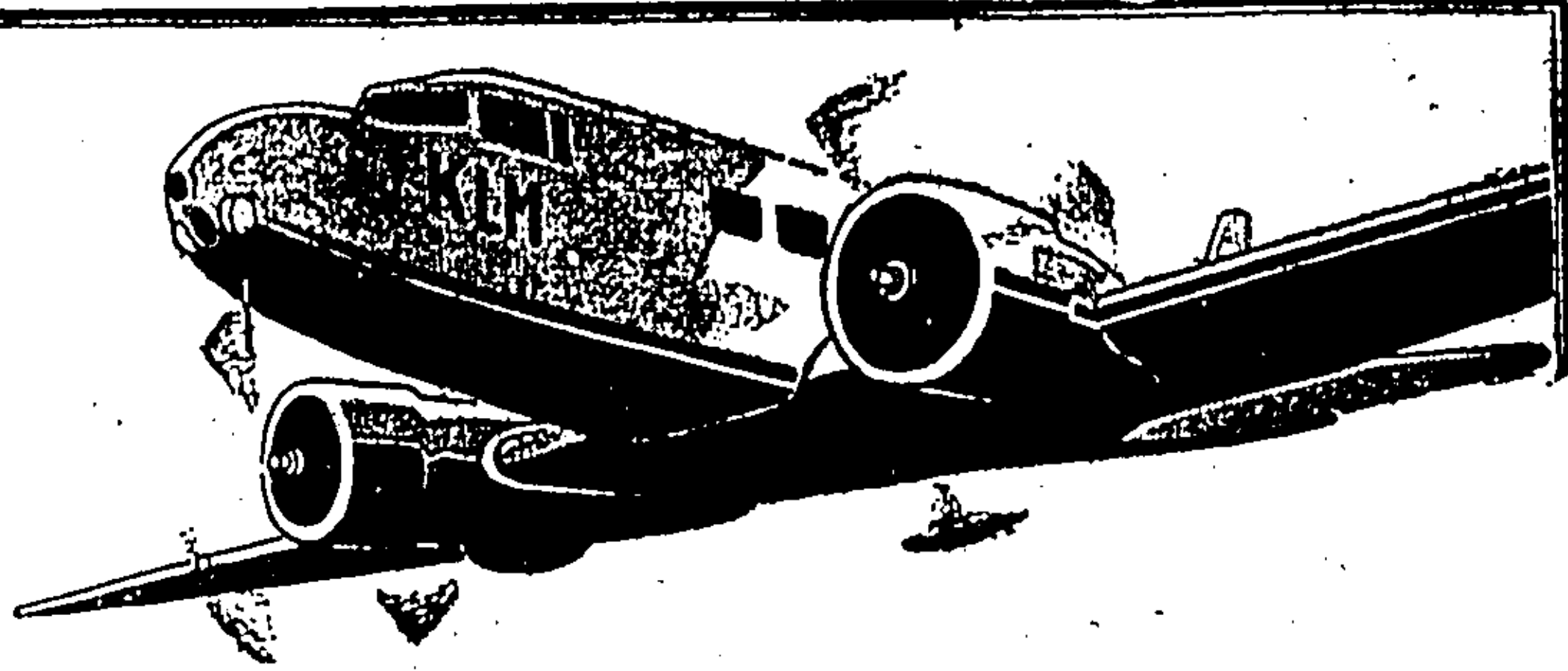
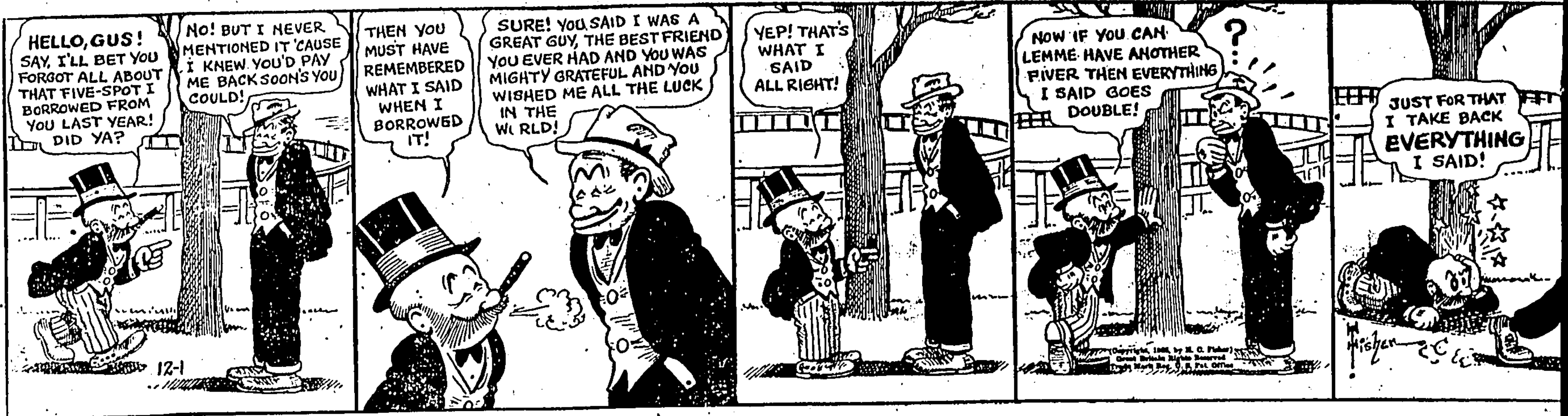
Measured in tons, the answer is startling. If a spider should spin a thread around the earth, that thread rolled into a little ball, would weigh about a pound.

But a spider's thread spun across space to Alpha Centauri, the nearest star, would weigh not fifty nor 10,000 lb.—but 500,000 tons! That neighbour star can be seen only in regions near equator.

In the northerly latitudes the nearest star, Sirius, is twice as far away and a million tons of spider thread would be needed to cross the gap between it and the earth.

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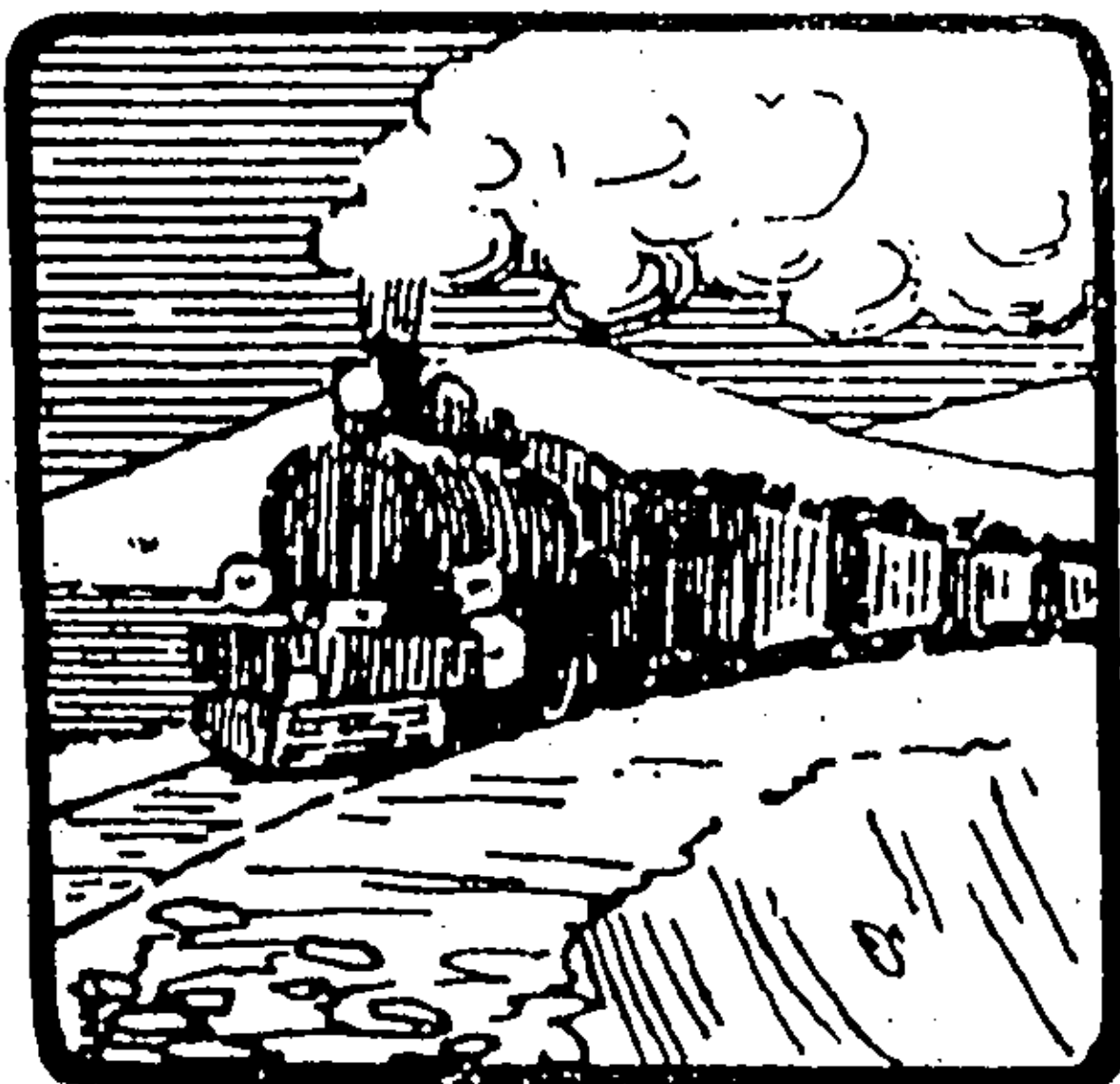
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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

Habitual Criminal

I had been giving Captain Noyce a talk on the attitude of the average citizen toward men who had served time and were turned loose in the world to fight their way against odds. I based my theme on the small chance an ex-convict had to go straight, even if he wanted to, because of the mistrust of people.

The captain listened respectfully. "That's right," he said. "That's all very true, but you're not talking about criminals. You're talking about men who have been sent to jail for making one mistake in life, for yielding to temptation after a fierce struggle with their consciences. These men aren't habitual criminals. Habit criminals remain criminals."

"Did I ever tell you about Squint Mallory? No? Well, Squint was sent up on a bank-robbery charge. It was his first offense. We had no record against him. All we knew was that he had associated most of his life with known crooks, and most of his relatives were crooks."

"Squint was a model prisoner. He never gave us any trouble. He earned his parole, served less than half his time. The day he was released he shook hands with the warden and said he'd had his fill of being behind iron bars. He was going straight."

"Well, sir, if ever a man appeared to have learned his lesson and decided to turn over a new leaf it was Squint. Still, we watched him. Habit,

"Thornton was inclined to take Squint's word for it. He thought Squint ought to be given a break. "All right, Squint," I said. "You drop around at headquarters tomorrow. We'll have to file a report on this, you know."

"Squint agreed readily. On the way back to headquarters I began to think what a fool I was. After all, Squint had a background of crime. What if I'd let him slip through my fingers?"

"But he showed up the next morning, as bland and complacent as ever. "Squint," I said, "you're a smart boy. You're smarter than the average criminal. That probably explains why you have no record other than that bank job. You almost had me taken in."

"Squint's eyebrows flickered ever so slightly. "I don't get it, Cap."

"Well, Squint, it's like this. I checked up. I discovered that Otto was the baby who tipped off the police about the bank job. That's how you happened to be arrested. Otherwise we wouldn't have had a thing on you."

"Squint wet his lips. "Well," he said. "Well, Squint, we figure you were paying a debt. You're smart, but you never would have been happy with Otto still alive. So you arranged a little party."

"A glow came into Squint's eyes. But he smiled. "You're barking up

By James Freeman

you know. We watched him for a week and nothing happened. Then, ten days after his release, Tom Clancy, a patrolman, sent in a call to the homicide squad. A man had been killed. Tom was holding Squint Mallory."

"Bill Thornton and I went to the address Tom had given. It was a rooming house. In a back room on the third floor we found the dead man, a gent we instantly recognized as Otto Stahl, a professional safe cracker. Otto had been shot through the neck."

"Sitting around the room were Squint Mallory, a man named Hall and a girl named Belle Nash. None of them seemed much perturbed."

"I turned to Tom and asked him how he happened to get on the scene so quick. "Why," said Tom, "Squint here summoned me from my beat."

"It was an accident," Squint said, rising. "We were having a little party. The four of us. I'd bought a new gun. Oh, I have a permit," he smiled. "It was a swell gun and Otto wanted to see it. I got it out and showed it to him. It's a long time since I'd had a gun in my hand. I accidentally dropped it. It went off and killed Otto."

"I looked at Squint a long while. His face was bland, complacent. The story he told was just fantastic enough to be true. If he had killed Otto, he certainly wouldn't have sent for the police. Criminals aren't as smart or as brave as that. No, it looked like the thing really was an accident and Squint wasn't taking any chances on being accused, in being picked up for something he hadn't done."

"Then there was the girl and the man named Hall to consider. They were witnesses. They would swear that Squint's story was true."

the wrong tree, Cap. I didn't bump off Otto. I got witnesses. You ain't got nothin' on me, Cap, so you might as well call it a day and let me go straight like I want to."

"Ha!" I said. "Let you go straight, eh? Squint, I've been in the department long enough to know that habitual criminals don't want to go straight, no matter how much of an act they put on. No, Squint, I looked over Otto's corpse again. And you know it's a curious thing, but that bullet entered Otto's neck horizontally. If the gun had exploded and killed him when you dropped it, the lead would have ploughed in at an angle. Now, Squint—"

"But Squint had whipped a gun from a shoulder holster, as I knew he would; and was on the point of killing me, and would have succeeded, except that Bill Thornton stepped from behind a door and grabbed him, as I planned."

"You see, I anticipated these things because I knew that a habitual criminal stays that way."

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BIG TRANSFER OF GOLD TO EQUALISATION FUND

Fiduciary Note Issue Increased To £400,000,000

Sterling Hardens On Latest Development

London, To-day.

An official announcement has been made in connection with the re-transfer which took place yesterday from the issue department of the Bank of England to the Exchange Equalisation Account of £200,000,000 of gold, namely £350,000,000 at the current price.

The announcement says that the Treasury, on the representation of the Bank and in conformity with the Currency and Banknote Act of 1928, has made a minute increasing the fiduciary note issue to £400,000,000.

This minute, in accordance with the Act, will be placed before Parliament.

The Government intends to introduce legislation when Parliament meets to amend the above Act of 1928.

Reuter understands that the purpose of the transfer is to strengthen the Exchange Equalisation Account which should now have sufficient means to meet any contingency.

The simultaneous increase in the fiduciary issue, from £230,000,000 to £400,000,000, may principally be regarded as a bookkeeping transaction.

CITY SURPRISE

In increasing it by only £170,000,000 against the £200,000,000 gold sale, the Bank of England reverts to the position prior to December 6, 1938, when in connexion with the Christmas currency demand, the fiduciary issue was temporarily expanded by £30,000,000.

The action of the authorities should cause surprise in City circles, not by the nature of the measure but by its size.

RUSH TO COVER

It had recently been mooted that the Bank of England would transfer some £30,000,000 in gold to the Equalisation Fund.

Immediate effect of the news of the Bank's gold sale on foreign exchanges was the strengthening of the sterling-U.S. Dollar rate from 4.6450 to 4.6737 as bears rushed to cover.—Reuter.

Plans Completed For Premier's Rome Visit.

London, To-day.

It is announced that Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, when en route to Rome on January 10 will take tea at the French Foreign Office with M. Daladier, the Premier, and M. Bonnet, the Foreign Minister.

The four statesmen will have a brief conversation. The final programme for the Rome visit, now available, shows that the party will arrive in Rome by special train at 4.30 p.m. on Jan. 11.

They will be received by Il Duce in the evening and afterwards will dine with him.

They will lunch with King Victor Emmanuel on January 12 and in the evening will take supper with Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, after a gala performance of the Opera.

AMPLE TIME FOR TALK

They will have an audience of the Pope on January 13.

Mr. Chamberlain will leave for London at Midday on January 13.

Their engagements will leave ample opportunities for political conversations.—Reuter.

AMERICA'S DEFENCE PROGRAMME

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt told the daily press conference yesterday that he is making progress with the special defence message which is to be given to Congress early next week.—Reuter.

COLONIAL POLICE MEDAL

The "Gazette" to-day contains the Royal Warrant creating a new medal, the Colonial Police Medal.

The qualifications for the Medal will be as follows:—

(i) Conspicuous gallantry.

(ii) Valuable service characterised by resource and devotion to duty, including prolonged service marked by exceptional ability merit and exemplary conduct.

Any award of the Medal for conspicuous gallantry will be made as soon as possible after the event occasioning the grant; and all other awards will be made annually on the occasion of His Majesty's Birthday.

HIT-AND-RUN TACTICS BY GUERILLAS

Chungking, To-day.

Despite chilly weather, with frequent rain and snow, Chinese guerillas on various fronts and behind the enemy's lines, continue their hit-and-run tactics.

The cumulative Japanese losses are understood to be heavy.

The northern sector of the Canton-Hankow line extending from Wuchang to Yoyang is subject to constant harassment by guerillas, who are particularly active around Yoyang, Linsiang, Puchi and Sienning.

On Wednesday, braving a heavy snowstorm, they staged a surprise raid on the Japanese at Kiangshanping in the neighbourhood of Yoyang. About 60 Japanese were killed by the guerillas, Major Wu Kwangchung, a Chinese battalion-commander, was wounded.

A Japanese transport unit was waylaid at Kangwangchiao, six miles southeast of Yoyang. Some 50 Japanese lost their lives. Ammunition was seized by the Chinese.

Traffic on the Hwanan Railway in Anhwei has been disrupted as a result of the destruction of rails and sleepers by guerillas near Hofei.

All bridges between Shihlichiao and Chiuliting on the Kashing-Pinghu highway in Chekiang have been damaged.

In north Shansi, guerillas have heavily damaged the railway track between Ningwu and Sohsien. — Central News.

GOVERNMENT GAZETTE

The "Gazette" contains the following announcements of official appointments, etc.

Approval of the appointment of the Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council.

Lieut. E. P. Fletcher relinquished his commission in the H.K.V.D.C.

Mr. C. R. Stoddart to be 2nd Lieutenant (Reserve of Officers) in the H.K.V.D.C.

Mr. E. H. Williams to be a temporary additional judge of the Supreme Court.

Messrs. H. B. L. Dowbiggin and C. Champkin to be members of the Licensing Board.

Mr. H. A. Mills to be Assistant Postmaster General and Chief Accountant, G.P.O.

Drs. Tai Hon Hung and Teng Pin Hui to be Health Officers.

Mr. C. Renner, Vice-Consul for France to be in charge of the French Consulate.

who is a member of the Gestapo, Secret Police, has been arrested at Schaffhausen.

Twelve of the Swiss Nazis arrested by the Federal police will, it is announced, be tried by the criminal courts.

NAZI ACTIVITY IN SWITZERLAND

Gestapo Implicated

Although, in the interest of justice, the Swiss Federal police, who effected a nation-wide anti-Nazi drive some 10 days ago, are still unable to reveal the details and full extent of Nazi activities here, some important facts are officially admitted.

The suspicion that the three Swiss Nazi parties had the closest relations with the German Nazi party is now declared as fully confirmed. A German go-between,

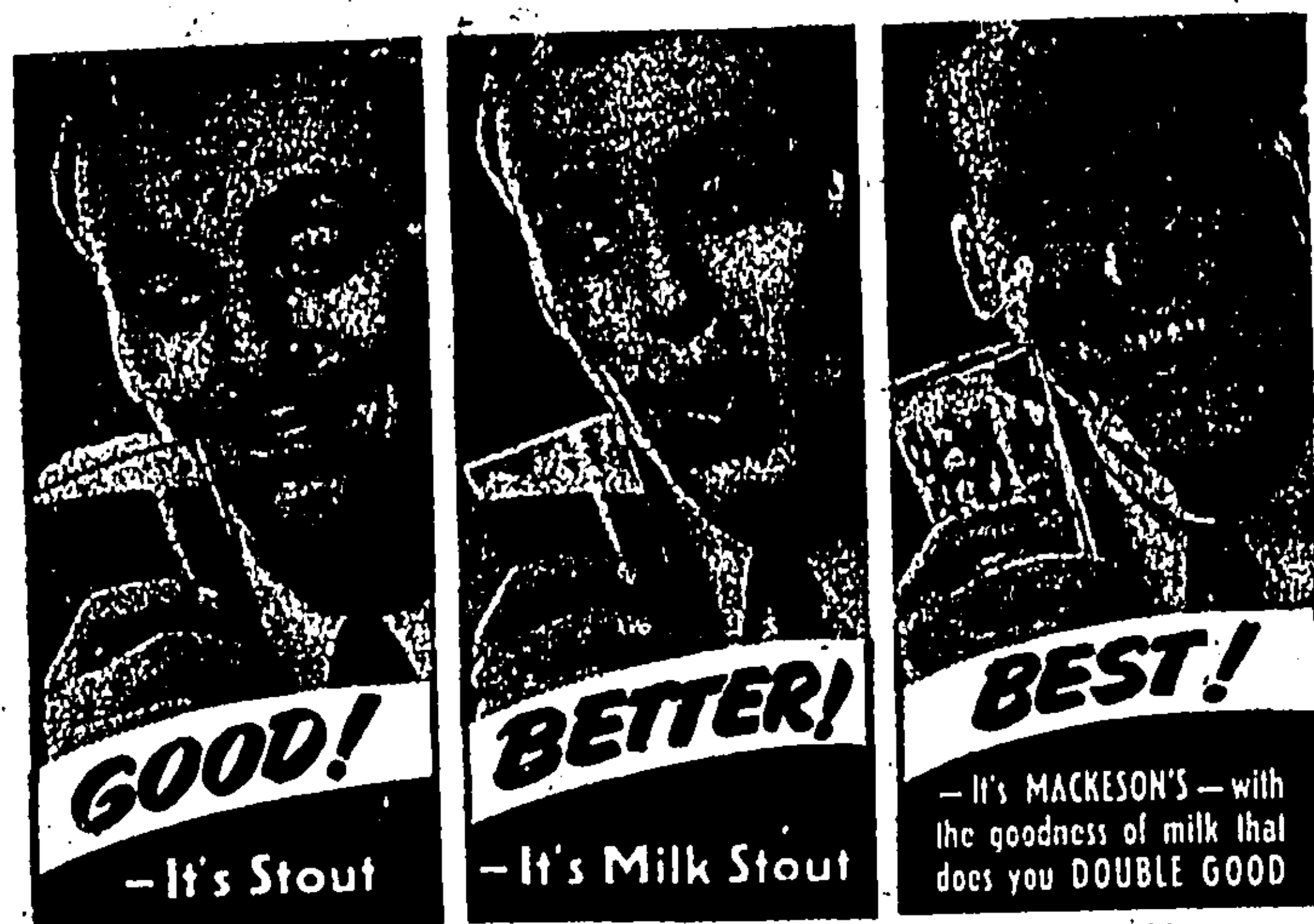
LATEST 'AUTOMATIC' GROCERY

Customers Need Not Carry Their Packages

Customers don't have to carry their packages in the latest "automatic" grocery. They merely print their shopping lists and let the clerk serve them. The canned and packaged goods are all displayed in glassed show cases.

In front of each article is a tag indicating the price, the tag being connected to a slot on one of the panels between the sections of shelves.

As the customer enters the store he is given a small magazine, he inserts a projecting arm of the magazine into the slot corresponding to the article desired, and the name of that article and its price are printed on a roll of paper in the magazine. The customer then presents the magazine to the cashier, pays the bill and the list is filled by a clerk.



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MIRROR OF OPINION

"HAMLET" IN DISGRACE

Though the Old Vic may be assured of official patronage and a triumphal progress in Italy, it need not be hastily assumed that the torch of Shakespeare will be allowed to burn brightly from one end of the anti-Comintern axis to other. Away in Japan the police think that heat rather than light is likely to be generated by our national poet, and a revival of "Hamlet" has just been forbidden in Tokyo on the ground that it may be "injurious to public morals." That sounds rather vague, but the helpful Reuter adds more explicitly that the police are believed to hold the view that the play shows royalty "in an unfavourable light" and that Hamlet himself is addicted to "dangerous thoughts." Both propositions show great perspicacity. Royalty in "Hamlet" shows up very badly indeed right onwards from "murder most foul, strange, and unnatural," and the Prince himself is one of the most subversive thinkers that ever questioned the world around him. For one thing, he found that world "weary, stale, flat, and unprofitable," and nobody in that disillusioned frame of mind would have set to work to add to its disorders by the vast and ruthless invasion of a peaceful neighbour. Moreover, Hamlet (or his creator) was responsible for one of the most "dangerous thoughts" that was ever uttered: "There is nothing either good or bad, but thinking makes it so." That, of course, is the hopeful basis of at least half the propaganda that seeks to put a faire face on open infamy; but those who trust to such dishes would be in no way pleased to see their recipe made generally public. They may well look askance at "Hamlet" in Tokyo. It tells of

crime and punishment and rings with a fierce hatred of hidden horrors and hypocrisy.—"Manchester Guardian."

A FREE PRESS

Admitted abuses in the application of the Official Secrets Act have combined with the spectacle of a muzzled and docile Press in most of the countries of the Continent to raise the question whether Britain too is heading towards some form of Government censorship. Where there is distrust it is well that it should be voiced, and the country may well be grateful to those members of Parliament who in the Commons made explicit certain recent rumours of coercion. That the debate should be conducted upon party lines was perhaps inevitable, but it was not from one side of the House alone that the Government was pressed to purge the Official Secrets Act of its more obnoxious clauses. Legislation passed with the declared object of combating espionage has, in more than one instance, been employed to combat the publication of minor official activities entirely unconnected with defence; moreover, procedure inconsistent with the general theory of English law has been raised as a threat against a suspected offender who refused to incriminate himself. The undertaking given by the present Home Secretary that this unusual procedure "will be applied only in cases of the gravest importance to the safety and the welfare of the State" binds none of his successors; nor can the standard of gravity be left to some future Secretary of State to decide for himself. Until a statutory amendment to the Act is passed it must be considered that the freedom of the Press is capable at any time of infringement.—"Daily Telegraph."

HERALDING THE NEW YEAR

This perplexed world never before entered a new year with such a flood of messages which has marked the birth of year 1939 A.D. Few countries have remained inarticulate under the inspiration of a point in the calendar which has come to be interpreted in recent years not as a mere record of time, but a milestone in human experience and a challenge to hope and encouragement. Kings, statesmen, ministers and national leaders of all degrees have seized upon the opportunity to issue some form of statement on national aspirations and personal beliefs, and the cables are a vivid mosaic of hopes and fears, desires and disillusionments and appeals and regrets. With international affairs at a most acute stage and national policies, especially in Europe, in a dangerous degree of conflict, these messages would be mere words and generalities unless they reflected national views in regard to objectives—which they do in an unusually frank manner because national relationships in the scheme of things were never more pronounced. The human family, separated into states, does not ever seem to have been so unhappy but individually there seems to be a feeling of optimism for politics, the man-made instrument of adjustment, have been strangely stretched and mangled during the past year and there is abundant opportunity for readjustment this year. At any rate, that is the hope and the belief which the public will try to read into these messages.—"North China Daily News."

NAZI METHODS OF SEWING UP TRADE

HIS TONGUE WAS FIRE, HIS BRAIN WAS ICE

(Continued from Page 2)

the town. Grim mouth, eyes aflame, the Leader takes the salute. Tramp! Tramp! Germany echoes to the tramp! Germany is on the march!

The moles were busy, too. The intriguers sapped and bored. Reichswehr General Kurt von Schleicher conspired with Von Papen, Junker Diehard politician, and President Hindenburg to throw out the Catholic Chancellor Brüning. Hitler would then support (and, as he resolved, control) a Von Papen Cabinet. Von Schleicher thought he would do the controlling.

Brüning fell. Von Papen entered in. The next elections gave Hitler 230 seats in the Reichstag. He thought "Von Papen is my prisoner." The new Junker Chancellor, however, backed by the old Junker President, proposed simply to make use of this "Bohemian corporal" (Hindenburg's phrase).

Hitler mobilised the Brownshirts. Von Schleicher threatened to shoot them down with Reichswehr machine-guns. Hitler demanded a position "like Mussolini's." Bluntly Hindenburg refused.

The Fuehrer was in fury. The Nazis voted Von Papen out. The Reichstag was again dissolved. But at the election the Hitler vote fell by two million votes. The party was in a desperate state, disheartened, hopelessly in debt.

On top of it all Strasser revolted. The new Chancellor was Von Schleicher. He offered Strasser the post of Vice-chancellor. When Hitler said No! Strasser resigned. The whole show wobbled. Hitler was frantic. To Goebbels he shouted. "If the Party breaks up I'll end matters in three minutes with my gun!" It was the fourth time he had threatened suicide.

All was not quite lost. The Strasser rift did not widen. Hitler denounced him before the Party chiefs. Yes, Strasser, of all men, had betrayed him. He sobbed. Strasser was expelled.

It became a mad race against disaster. The storm troops were riddled with discontent, anger and bewilderment. At any time they might break out, seize the streets—and be swept from them by Reichswehr bayonets.

Von Papen saved Hitler. He thought he was securing himself. He made a coalition to beat Von Schleicher. There was to be a National Government. Hitler, Chancellor; Von Papen, Vice-Chancellor. Hindenburg assented to the deal. Von Schleicher fell. Hitler was named Chancellor.

On the night of January 30 Hitler stood at one window of the Chancellery, Hindenburg at the next window. A vast torchlight procession filed past for hours. Hitler smiled for the first time for many weeks. At the last hour he had vaulted into the saddle.

To-morrow: The Reichstag Fire.

England Alarmed At German Activities

Washington.

By taking a nose dive into British economic and trade publications you get more of an idea why England was glad to take any step, such as the trade pact with the U.S., offering some offset against German trade aggressions.

By a system of trade inventions that amaze the English, Germany is able to buy and buy and buy food, cotton and other raw materials, and sell countries which England once considered her own customers.

An article in the London Economist points out some of the mechanisms by which Germany sews up trade. Suppose tobacco, oil and wheat are needed. All these are available in the Balkan countries. Germany offers to buy large supplies of these goods. She will pay aski marks, which are good only for purchase of German goods in return.

PAYS HIGHER PRICE

Maybe the Balkan countries don't like to be tied up to buying only German goods, so they object to the deal. Germany promptly offers to pay higher than the world market price. Farmers, eager for an opportunity to sell at a high price, insist that the deal go through. And since peasants in the Balkans outnumber everybody else, they have to be satisfied.

That leaves the Balkan banks loaded with aski marks with which they can buy only German goods. Now if a Balkan importer has been used to buying British shoes or fabrics or steel, he will be persuaded instead to buy in Germany because the banks have to use up this German exchange. Thus Britain loses a customer.

There has been so much of this that the Balkans are loaded with aski marks. They can't spend them for anything except German goods. And Germany isn't always willing to sell them what they want. The Balkans may want steel building materials but Germany instead wants to sell toys and glassware. Yugoslavia was compelled to buy huge quantities of aspirin, Rumania bought thousands of typewriters, and Greece bought mouth organs by the hundred thousand.

MUNITIONS OBSOLETE

In an effort to use up more of the growing supply of aski marks, many Balkan countries agreed to buy German munitions. Now why should Germany, engaged in an armament race, sell munitions. Simple says the London Economist. Germany sells munitions which are growing obsolete for a first class power. They still are satisfactory for smaller countries.

Much of this same type of trade goes on with South America. Selling armaments to these countries is an especially good deal for Germany. It means that the countries which buy armaments from Germany must continue trading with her, because only Germany can supply spare parts and ammunition for the military equipment.

The London Economist is fearful that a tremendous source of mine-

erals not yet developed in the Balkan countries will be opened up by German money and thus create for Germany a huge military asset which could not be cut off.

Some authorities in the commerce department here, however, suspect the estimate of these sources is excessive. But whatever develops, the Balkans at present are capable of supplying 20 per cent of Germany's raw material needs and there is little doubt that their ability will be swelled rapidly under German guidance and trade pressure.

ADMIRAL'S TRIBUTE TO GERMAN NAVY

'They Are Our Friends'

A plea for the maintenance of friendship between British and German naval officers was made by Vice-Adml. Sir Geoffrey Blake, speaking at the annual dinner in London of the Royal Naval Sailing Association, over which he presided as Vice-Commodore.

Remarking on the sailing competitions between the two navies at Kiel, in which, he said, we should continue to participate, "whatever happens," Sir Geoffrey said: "If we can only get our two navies together, you know from the atmosphere over there that it is one of the most friendly co-operation, exactly as it was when we were in the Mediterranean."

"German naval officers—I don't care what you say—were our friends and they are our friends."

MR. H. MORRISON AND THE PREMIER

"A Danger To Peace"

Speaking at a Socialist party meeting at Hackney, Mr. Herbert Morrison, M. P., said that it was a "national and international tragedy that the British Prime Minister at this juncture should be Mr. Neville Chamberlain."

Mr. Morrison regarded Mr. Chamberlain and his colleagues not only as a danger to peace and traitors to democracy but as men whose policy had been fraught with the gravest danger to the security and well-being of the British Commonwealth of Nations.

"I have always freely admitted that he had high qualities of administration and decision at the Ministry of Health," said Mr. Morrison. "But as Prime Minister it seems to me that he has got quite out of his depth in his reckless handling of foreign affairs."

"While his foreign policy leaves us with fewer and fewer reliable friends in the world, he has badly failed in securing from the military and civil defence departments that efficiency and energetic action which is so important in this dangerous world."

"Despite the perpetual abuse and treachery of the Fascist Governments. Mr. Chamberlain seems never to be happy unless he is in the arms of either Herr Hitler or Signor Mussolini, despite the fact that both of them seem to be almost incapable of keeping their word."

ANTI-NAZI PLAY BANNED IN ENGLAND

The Bishop of Manchester, Dr. Guy Warman, has banned the production of an anti-Nazi Nativity Play in St. Hilda's Church, Denton, in which the player of the role of King Herod was to have been made up to resemble Hitler.

Here's Luck!

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To free the police from other duties Surrey County Council have introduced on the St. Helier Estate at Morden an experimental scheme whereby specially trained members of the local British Legion will patrol busy roads and ensure the safety of school children. The patrol men, who are paid 5s a day, wear white coats and carry boards with "Children Crossing" on them.



The pantomime donkey in "Babes in the Wood" takes a ride through South London.



A Ski Exhibition is now being held in Paris and one of the novelties on show is this "Ski-cycle."



At the age of ten years, Miss Betty Legerton, of Bowmans Colney, St. Albans, is a clever little horsewoman. She has carried off many prizes at shows in various parts of the country, and handles a horse like an expert.



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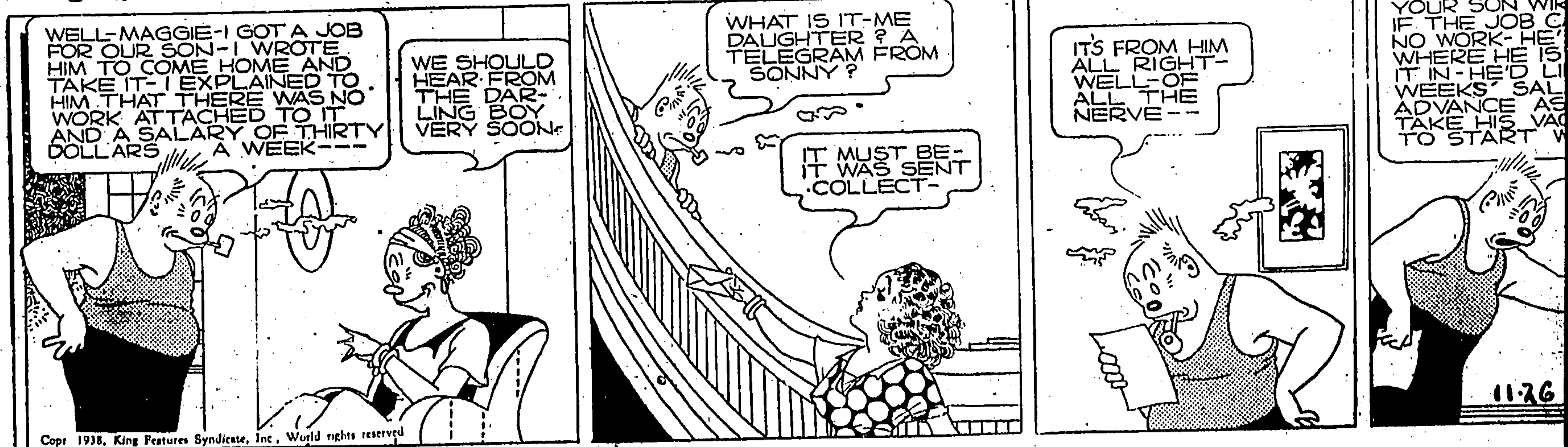
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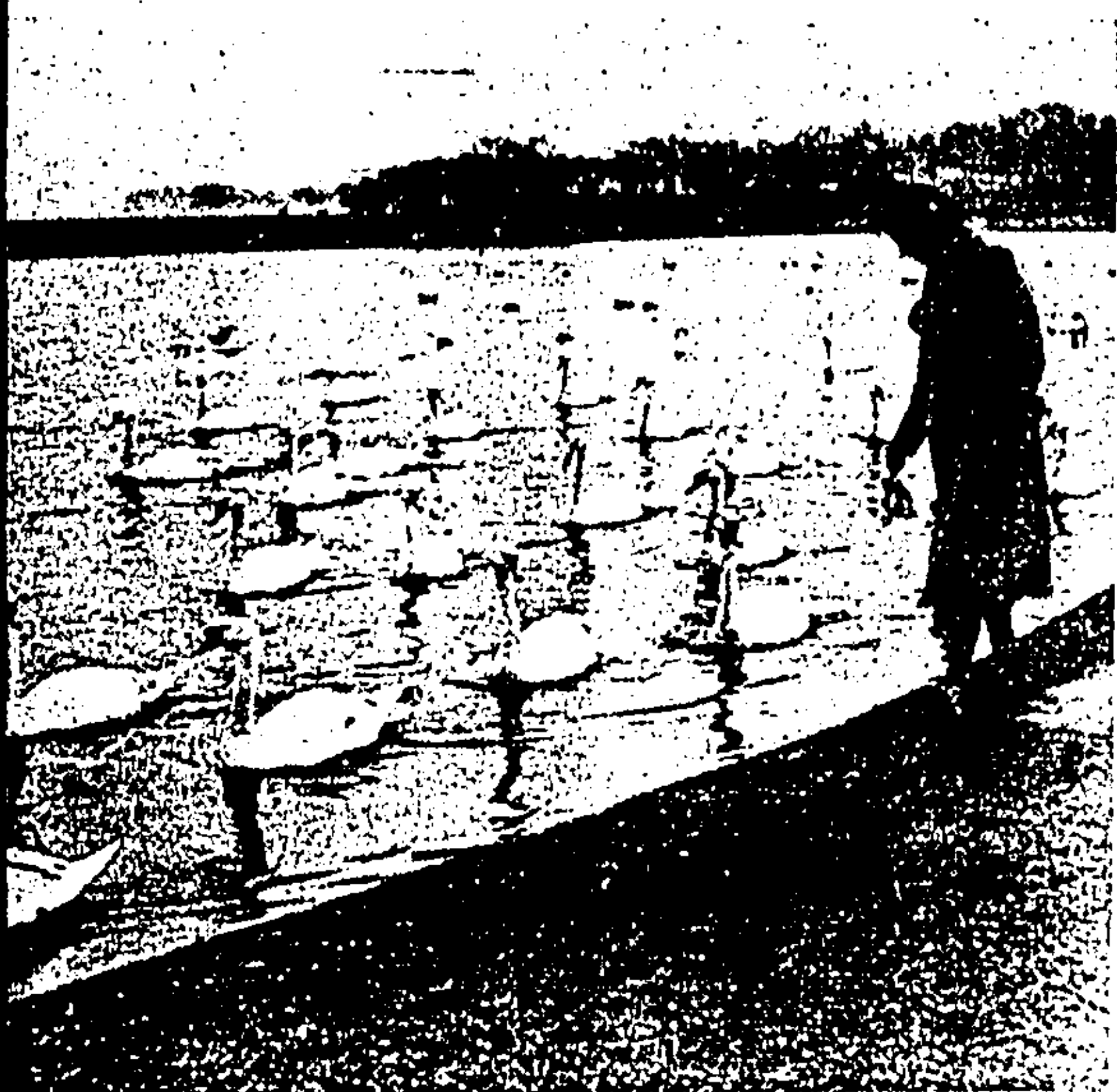
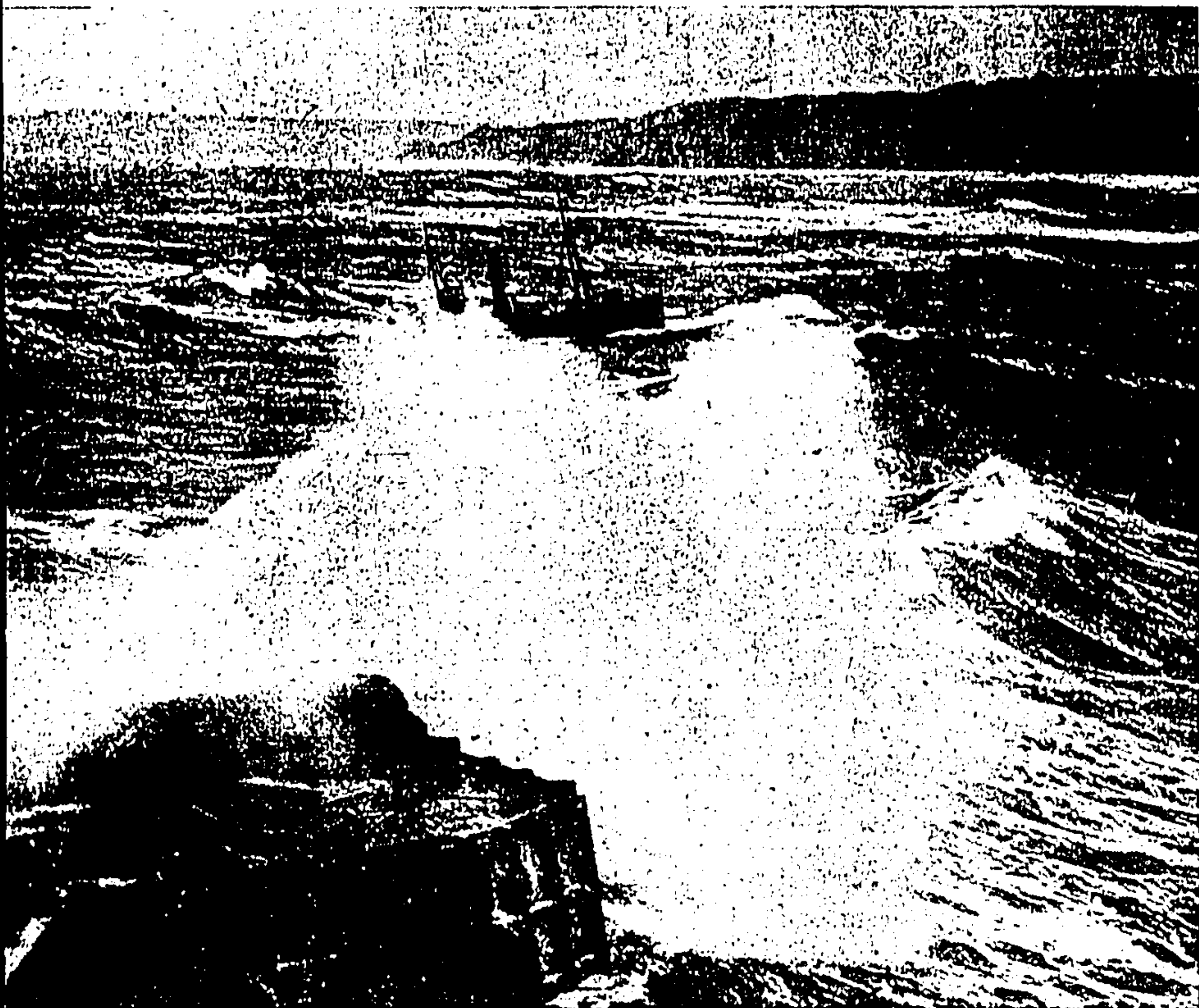
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(Left)—These swans on the Forest Gate Pond, form themselves into a flotilla order when anyone appears with a paper bag. Their regular formation makes a pleasing study.

size dolls, some of them more than four feet high, were mas. The dolls are extremely lifelike and some of toy dogs under their arms.

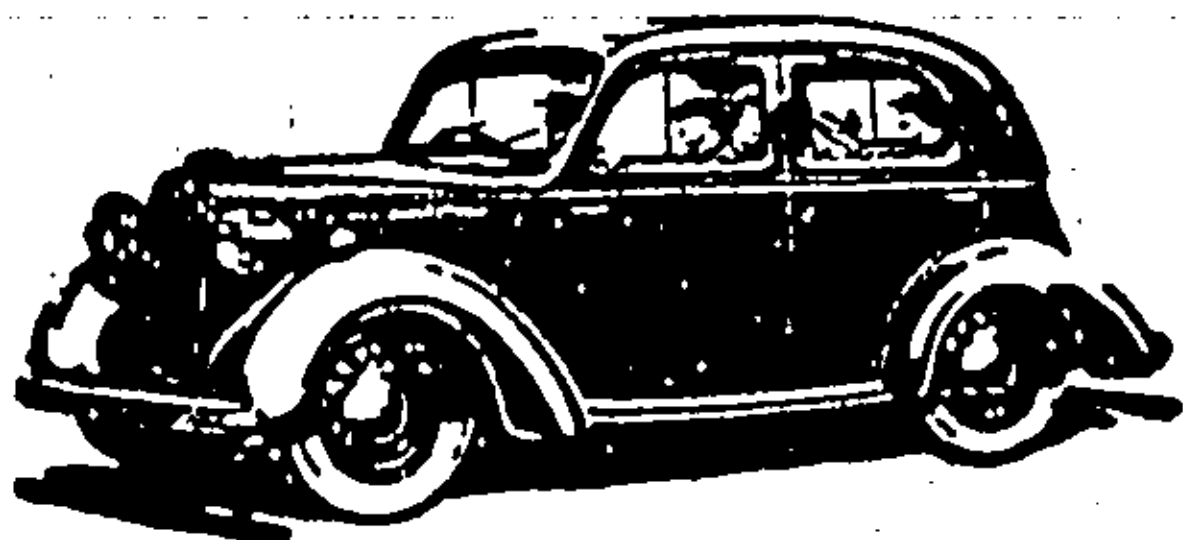
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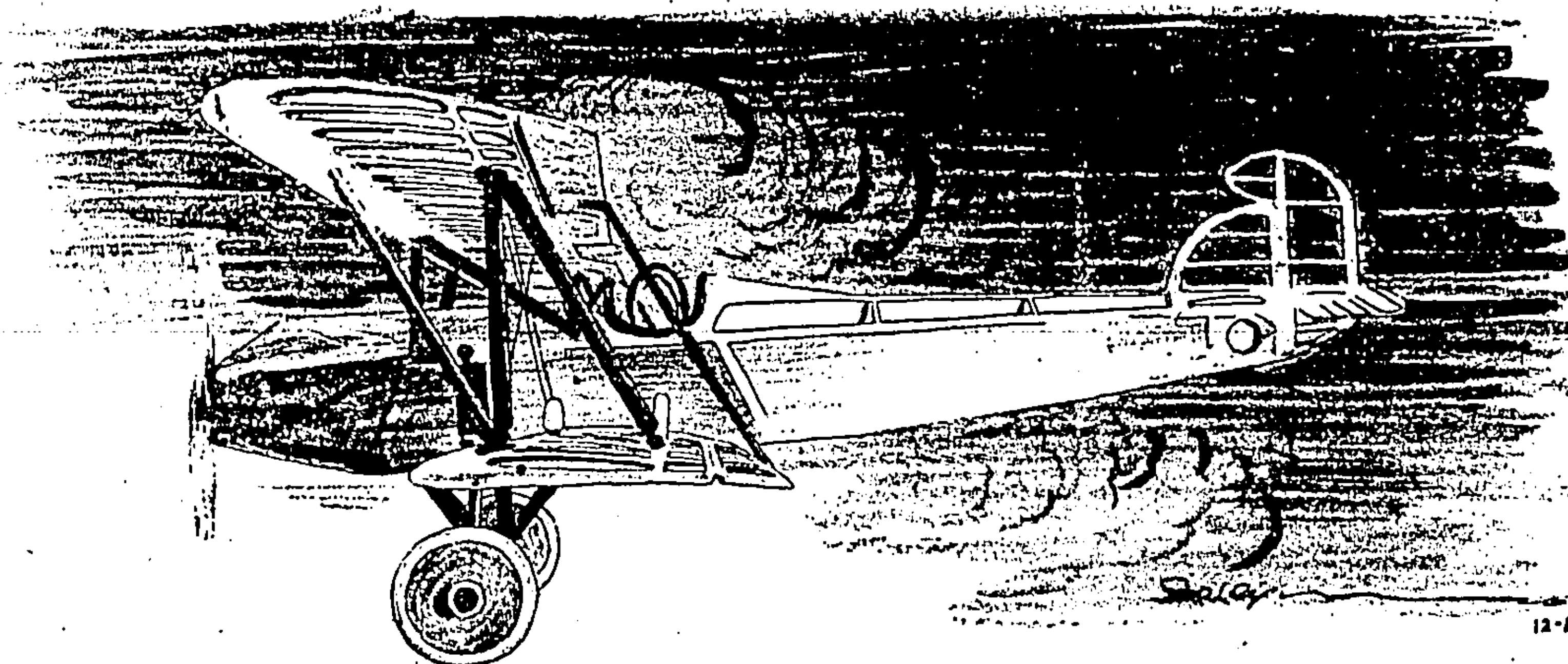
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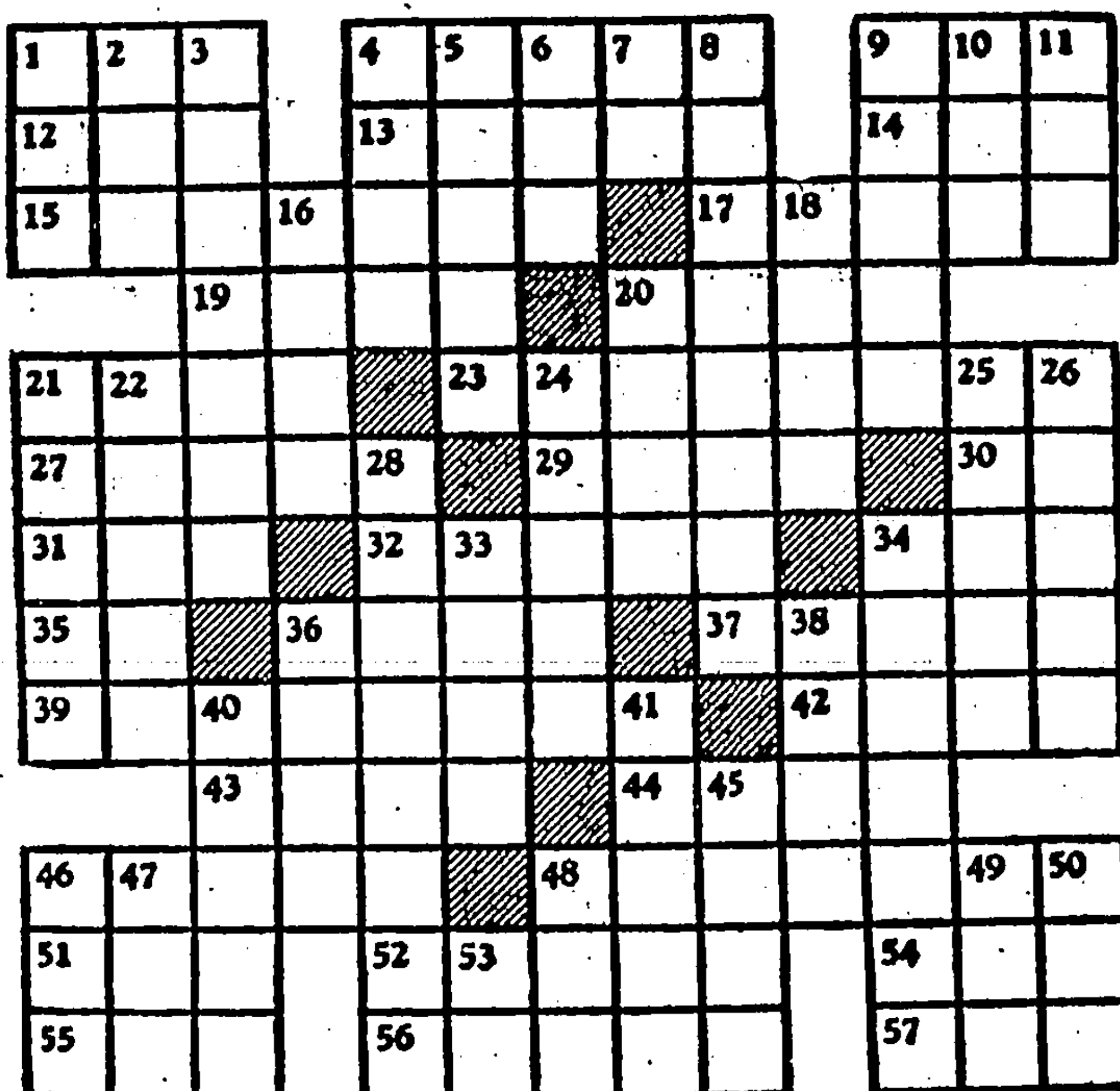
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- 20 Narrow board
- 21 Location
- 23 Beneficial
- 27 100 lakhs
- 29 East Indian money (pl.)
- 30 Prefix: dawn
- 31 Sheep
- 32 Florida city
- 34 Nourished
- 35 European fish
- 36 Money factory
- 37 To impel
- 39 Atonements
- 42 Son of Adam
- 43 Space
- 44 Young sheep
- 46 To cheat

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- 48 Cleaners
- 51 Tropical bird
- 52 Sea ducks
- 54 Wheel track
- 55 Foot-like part
- 56 To cancel
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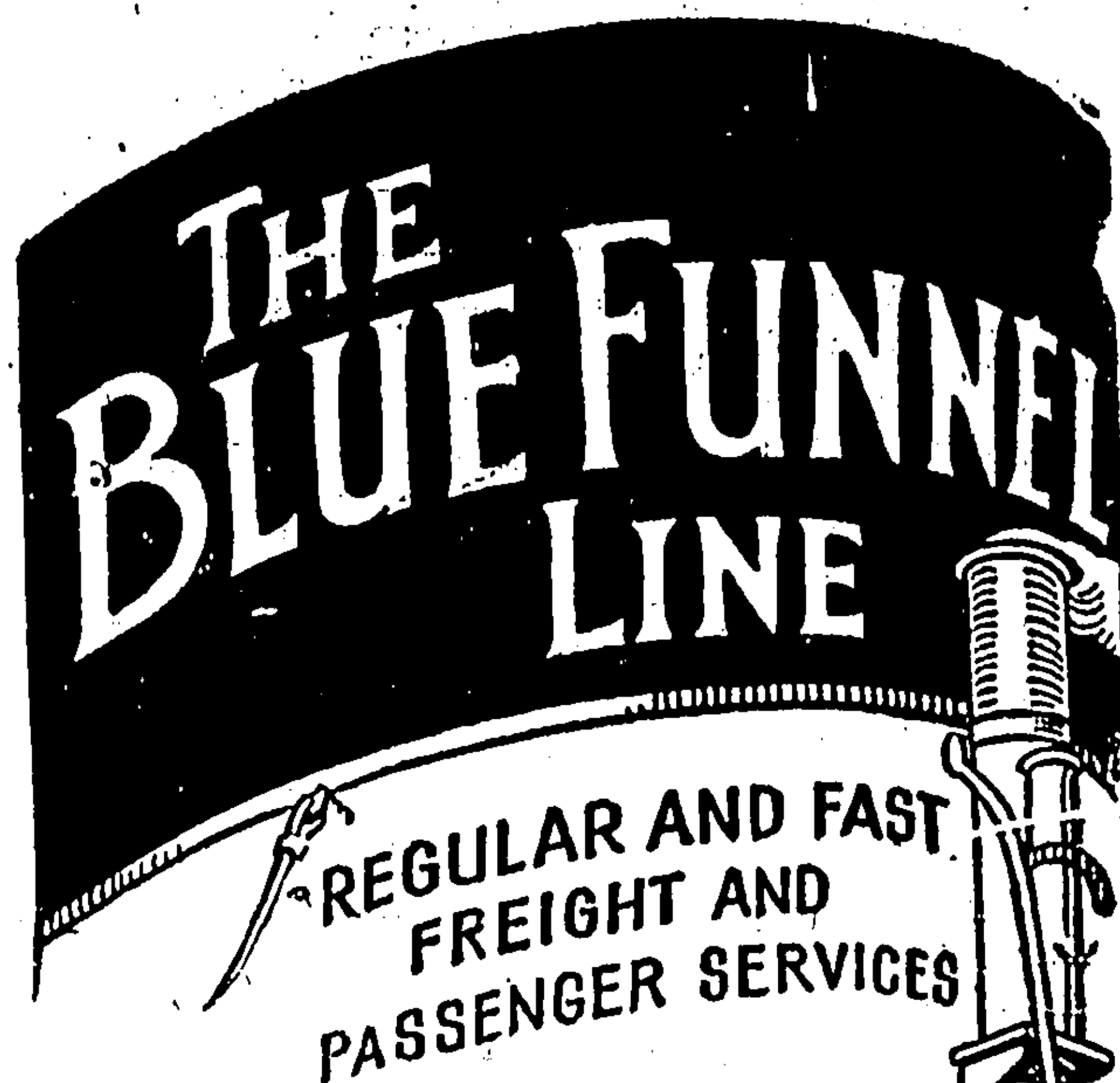
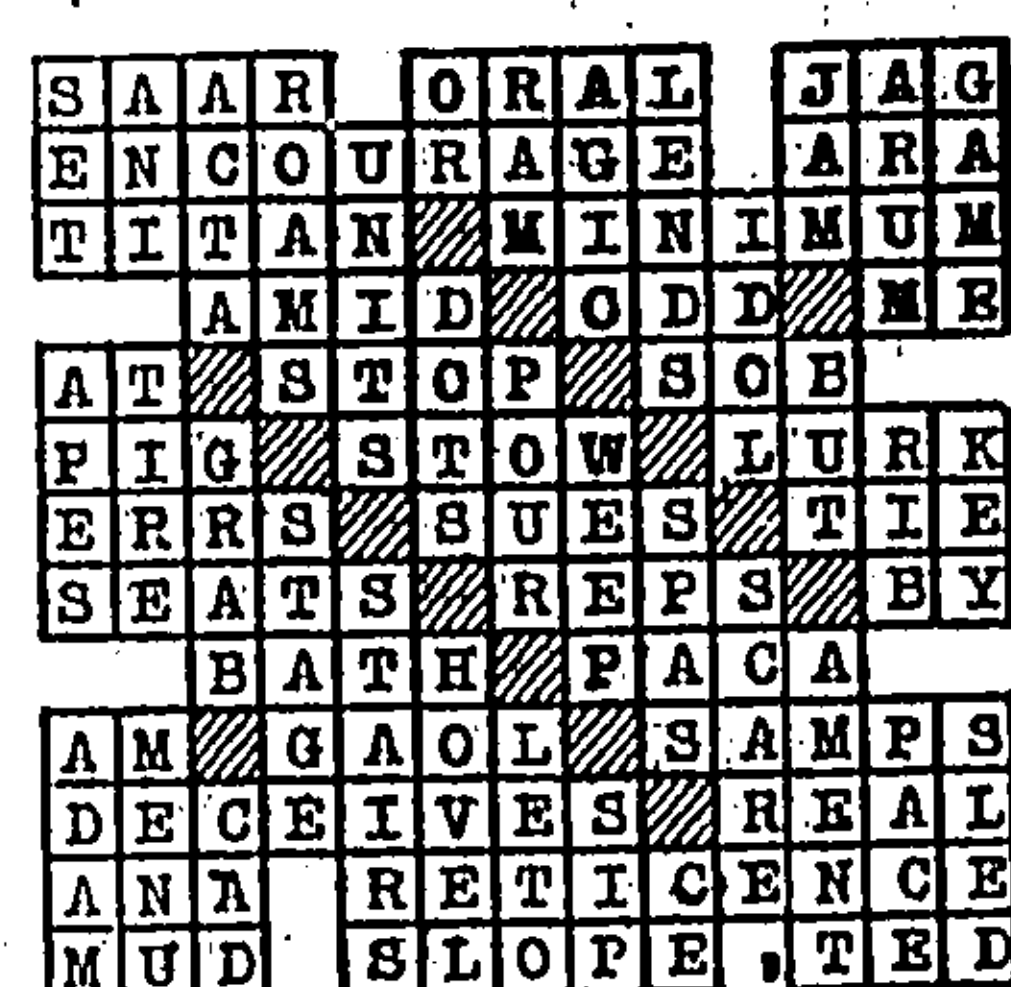
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- African
- 18 Grain (pl.)
- 20 Bridge term
- 21 Former paper currency
- 22 Turkish decree
- 24 Wing-shaped
- 25 Bailiff
- 26 Swiss song
- 28 Lofty place
- 33 Peruvian ruler
- 34 Liars
- 36 Female of the horse
- 38 Inclined walk
- 40 Followers of Hitler
- 41 Narrow openings
- 45 Part of church
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- 49 To regret
- 50 Music: as written
- 53 Conjunction

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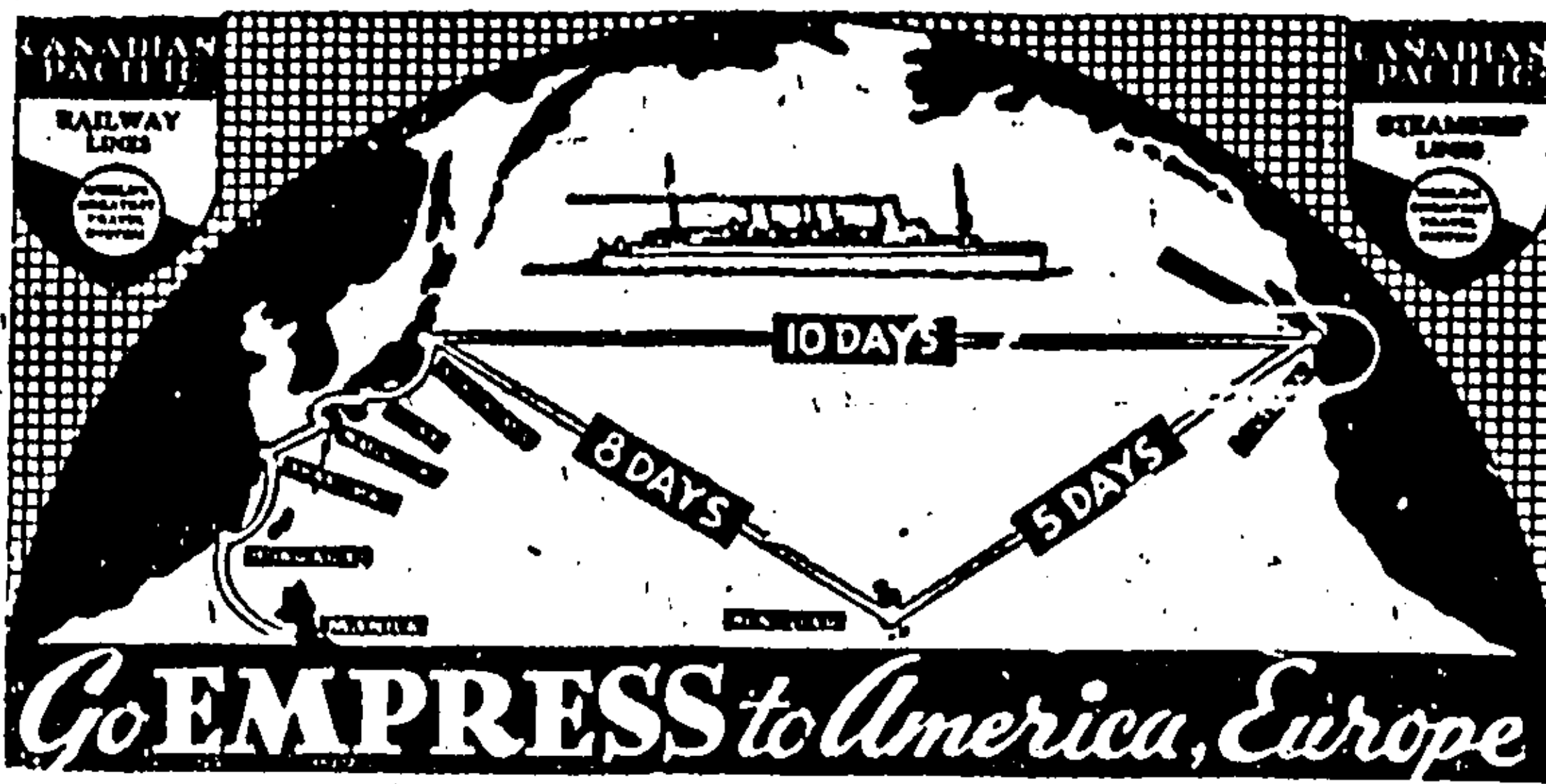
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Peruvian Espionage At Lima Parleys Charge By Newsman

New York, Jan. 2.

During the Pan-American conference in Lima the Peruvian Government exercised a regime of censorship, intimidation and espionage, Mr. John White, one of the New York Times' three special correspondents to the conference, cabled his newspaper to-day from Africa, Chile.

Mr. White declared that the Peruvian Government attempted to control not only the newspaper correspondents, but also the delegates themselves.

He specified that two members of the United States delegation, returning to their hotel, found two

Peruvian detectives searching among their files.

Mr. White also cited several cases in which cables from special correspondents were censored.

He added that Africa was the first spot he could find from where he could send a telegram uncensored.—Havas.

M.P. ASSAULTED BY HECKLER

Tooth Broken By Punch On Cheek

WENT ON TO HOUSE FOR DIVISION

Mr. H. G. Williams, Conservative M.P. for South Croydon, was punched in the face by a heckler at a meeting he was addressing at Fulham Town Hall, and one of his teeth was broken.

His assailant was thrown out by stewards, and Mr. Williams resumed his speech. Later, with his right cheek swollen and bruised, he went to the House of Commons to take part in a division.

Describing the incident, Mr. Williams said: "The meeting was under the auspices of the Empire Unity Campaign, and my speech was simply a description of the constitution of the Empire. There were about three sets of people in the hall who had evidently come to cause trouble. Some were Left-wingers and some apparently extreme Right-wingers."

"I had been speaking about five minutes when a man began to interrupt. It became evident that unless something was done the meeting would be wrecked. I gave the man one or two warnings, and as he did not heed them I went up to him. He was a big fellow and rather elderly."

"I said: 'If you go on interrupting you have got to go out.' Two or three stewards stepped forward and then the man drew back his fist and punched me on the cheek. I went on with my speech, and so far as I was concerned that was the end of it."

"It was an obvious attempt to prevent free speech, and I was there to support free speech."

Mr. Williams, who is 54, has represented South Croydon since 1932.

FIRST OF NEW FLEET FOR U.S.

Washington, Jan. 2.

The first of five hundred cargo-boats and tankers ordered by the U. S. Maritime Commission will be launched on January 7.

The Commission's programme calls for these vessels to be constructed in ten years.

Mr. Emory Land, President of the Commission, stressed, in his report for 1938, that the programme is destined to result in a powerful and modern merchant fleet, and will give jobs to thousands of workers.

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Rating Injured

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It struck a rating and knocked him sideways. The man sustained serious injuries to his side and skull.

The huge projectile shook the ship from stem to stern. Ratings working below narrowly escaped being hit. The torpedo had been fitted with a dummy head.

Two other ratings were injured when the steam was accidentally turned on in a winch near which they were working on board the escort vessel Egret.

One man was thrown into the air and fell back on the winch, injuring his ribs. The other had his arm torn.

H. K. VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

Orders by Lieut. Colonel H. B. Rose, M. C. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, Friday, 6th January, 1939.

PARADE FOR PRESENTATION OF MEDALS

H.E. the Governor will present Efficiency Medals at a parade at H.Q. on Friday next 13th November. O's C. Units have already been notified the numbers required to attend the parade. Fall in 5.30 p.m.

Dress—Officers. S.D. cap, K.D. jacket, K.D. trousers, sword and medals. Other Ranks. S.D. cap, K.D. jacket, K.D. trousers, web belt, bayonet and medals.

PARADES

1st Battery

Right Section.—Thursday, 12th January. Belchers. 5.45 p.m. Dress—S.D. cap, overalls, gun platform shoes. Left Section.—Friday, 13th January. Belchers. 5.45 p.m. Dress—S.D. cap, overalls, gun platform shoes. Signalling Section.—Friday, 13th January. H.Q. 5.30 p.m.

2nd Battery

Wednesday, 11th January. H.M.S. Tamar. 5.30 p.m. Gun drill. Thursday, 13th January. H.M.S. Tamar. 5.30 p.m. Gun drill. Engineer Company D.E.L. Section.—Monday, 9th January. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Meeting. Thursday, 12th January. Pak Sha Wan. D.E.L. Manning Exercise. leaves Queen's Pier at 5.30 p.m. Lyon Light Section.—Monday, 9th January. H.Q. 5.45 p.m. Arms Drill. Thursday, 12th January. H.Q. 5.45 p.m. Squad Drill. Those detailed L.L. Instruction.

Corps Signals

Tuesday, 10th January. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Arms Drill and Squad Drill. Machine Gun Troop Tuesday, 10th January. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. General description. Sunday, 15th January. Stonecutters. Rifle Table B.

Armoured Car Section

Tuesday, 10th January. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. A & B Classes—Miniature Range. Sunday, 15th January. Stonecutters. Rifle Table B. No. 1 M.G. Company Friday, 13th January. Presentation of medals. See para. 1 above. Sunday, 15th January. Stonecutters. Rifle Table B.

No. 2 M.G. Company

Thursday, 12th January. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Foot and Arms Drill. Sunday, 15th January. Stonecutters. Rifle Table B. No. 3 M.G. Company Monday, 9th January. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 9 Platoon—Miniature Range. Remainder—Stripping and assembling gun and lock. Points B.D.A.

No. 4 M.G. Company

Sunday, 15th January. Stonecutters. M.G. Part II. No. 13 Platoon and those members of No. 15 Platoon who have been detailed. Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 8.30 a.m. and Kowloon Police Pier at 8.45 a.m. Dress—Optional. Wednesday, 11th January. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 14 Platoon. M.G. Training. Friday, 13th January. Sgt. D. E. Davis and those detailed. See para. 1 above.

Portuguese Companies

Tuesday, 10th January. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Both Companies. A short talk

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Thursday, 12th January. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Lecture on Operation of Transport Pools by Major R. Robertson. R.A.S.C.

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Friday, 13th January. C.S.O. Board Room. 5.30 p.m.

CHANGE OF NAME

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NOTICES

Presentation of Efficiency Medals.

H.E. the Governor has kindly consented to present Efficiency Medals at H.Q. on Friday, 13th January at 5.30 p.m. After the presentation there will be a Corps cocktail party to which ladies may be invited. The Commandant hopes that as many members of the Corps as possible will attend. Committee Meeting.

A meeting of the Corps Rifle Meeting Committee will be held at H.Q. at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, 20th January. O's C. Units are requested to ensure the attendance of one member from each unit.

Sergeants' Mess Meeting

There will be a General Meeting in the Mess at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, January 31st, 1939.

AFFILIATED UNIT
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Lecture

The next lecture on First Aid will be given by Professor L. T. Ride at the P.W.D. Offices on Friday, 13th January, 1939 at 5.30 p.m.

Strength—Increase

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE
LESSON SERMON

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches, tomorrow, 8th January will be "Sacrament."

The Golden Text will be:—"The bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world." (John 6:33).

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible:—"Now when the even was come, he sat down with the twelve. And as they were

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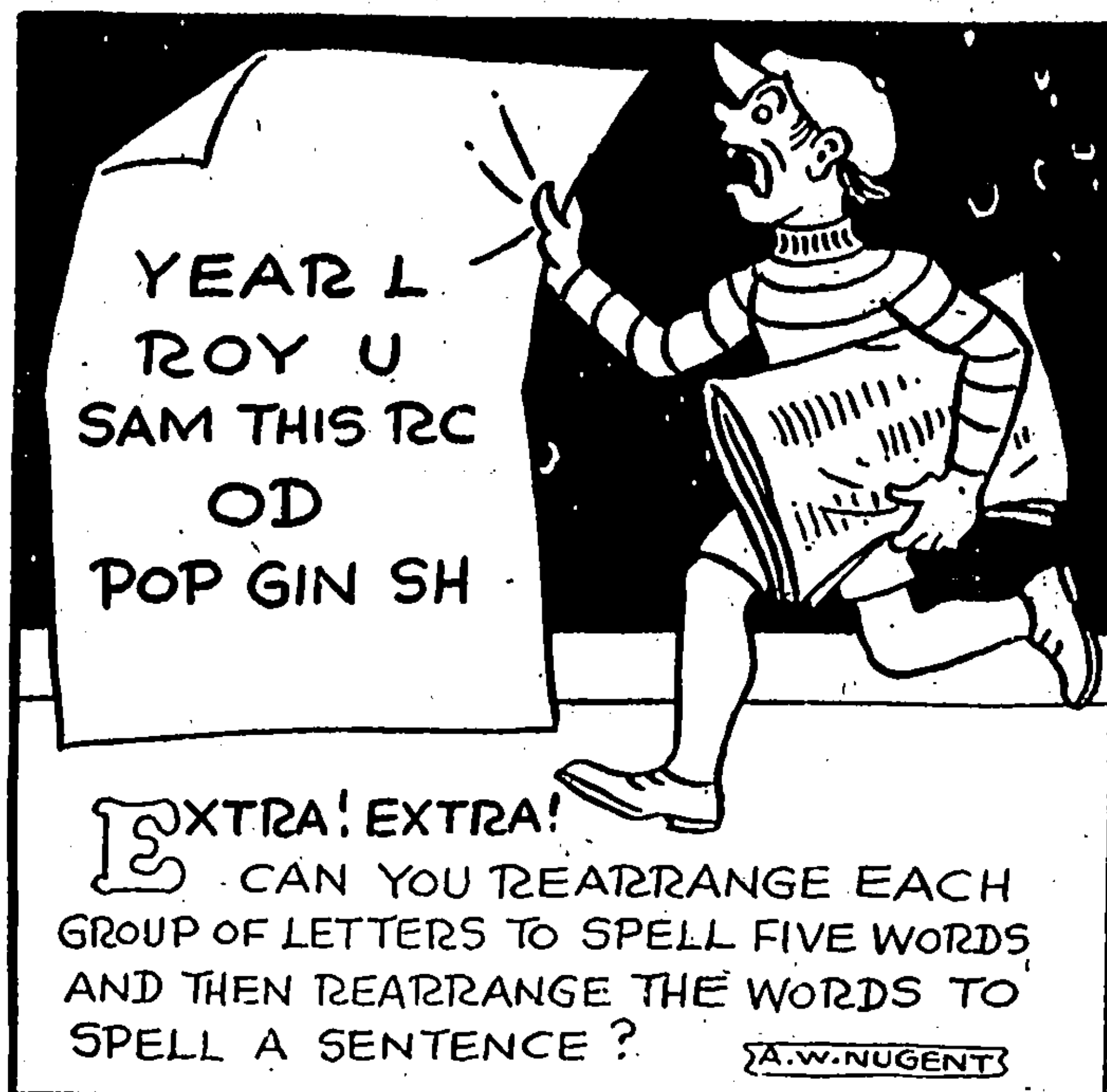
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Answer on Monday.

eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples and said, Take, eat; this is my body. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it; For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins. But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom." (Matthew 26:20, 26-29).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy:—"The Passover, which Jesus ate with his disciples in the month Nisan on the night before his crucifixion, was a mournful occasion, a sad supper taken at the close of day, in the twilight

of a glorious career with shadows fast falling around; and this supper closed forever Jesus' ritualism or concessions to matter. His followers, sorrowful and silent, anticipating the hour of their Master's betrayal, partook of the heavenly manna, which of old had fed in the wilderness the persecuted followers of Truth. For this truth of spiritual being, their Master was about to suffer violence and drain to the dregs his cup of sorrow. He must leave them. With the great glory of an everlasting victory overshadowing him, he gave thanks and said, "Drink ye all of it." (Page 32 and 33).

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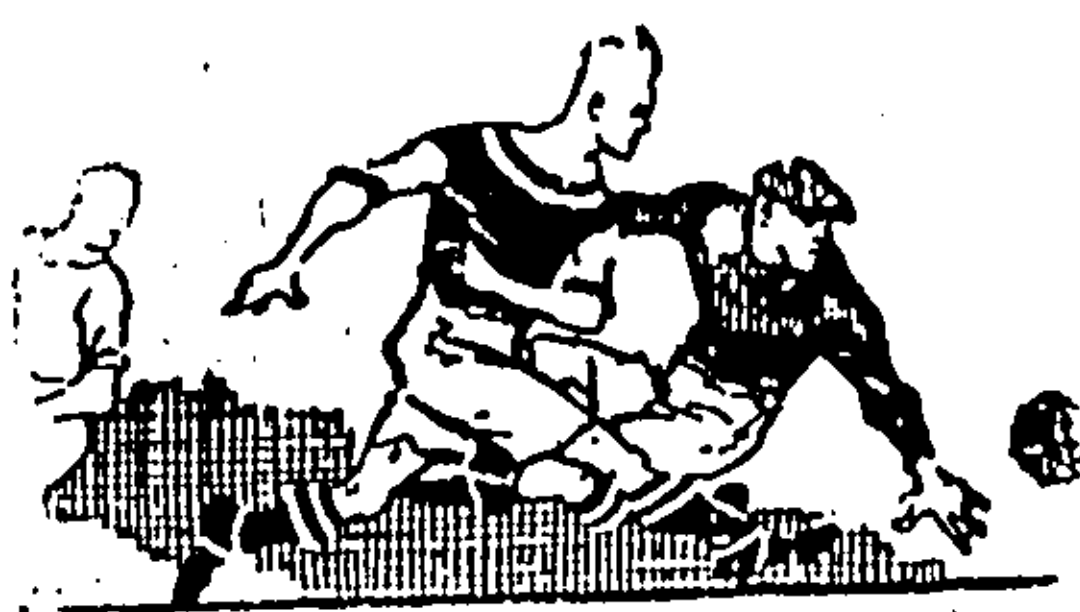
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KOWLOON SHOULD HOLD THEIR OWN



JUNIOR LEAGUE

KOWLOON EXPECTED TO HOLD 'DIE-HARDS'

Cruz And Santos Return

(By "UBIQUE")

With all the excitement of the Shield ties and holidays now over, junior football returns to normal with the usual long programme of matches and with the promise of an exceptionally good game at Kowloon, where the Middlesex, at present second in the Division, are visitors.

Kowloon surprised everybody last week in the Shield tie, when with a weakened team they forced the Middlesex to extra time and lost by a goal scored in the closing minutes of the extra period.

Kowloon will have a much better side this week, Cruz and Santos who played for the Senior team last week, returning to the team, though they will miss the services of P. Bell, the Shanghai Interporter, who will be seen in the senior team.

To-morrow, St. Joseph's meet South China, the present leaders of the Second Division, but the latter's display last week will have to improve as the Saints are fielding a much stronger team, which will include Pereira, the International player, and P. Castro, who will be seen at centre-half.

In the Third Division, Air Force and Stonecutters should win comfortably, while 24th Battery, Royal Artillery, who still have a chance for the runners-up position, will have a stiff task against Signals.

Meet Middlesex This Afternoon: V. White And P. Bell Included In Their Lineup

CLUB WITHOUT SYD STRANGE:

(By "REFEREE")

THREE League soccer encounters will be featured this afternoon and the Kowloon-Middlesex clash at Chatham Road promises to be the most interesting.

Kowloon, following their sensational encounter with South China "A" in the Senior Shield last Saturday when the teams were featured in a goalless draw, are expected to hold their own against the Soldiers, who have not been very consistent lately.

V. White returns to Kowloon's attack at inside-left while Riertzen reverts to his original position at left-wing, Hobbinball filling the centre-forward berth.

Middlesex have been in camp but must not be taken lightly because of this. They have the reputation of producing their best unexpectedly.

Bell, former Shanghai Interporter half-back and one of the first Americans to secure this distinction, has been promoted to Kowloon's senior eleven and will support Bliss, at left-half.

Club have a stiff hurdle ahead of them as they entertain Eastern at the Valley. They will be without the services of Syd. Strange and Kenneth Forrow, the latter having been conspicuous by his absence in several matches recently. Millington will be seen at left-back and Jack Skinner in the pivotal berth. Eastern are still one of the strongest teams in this division and although not in the running for the championship, are a force to be reckoned with.

In the remaining senior clash, Navy should beat Police away from home.

This Week's Local Soccer Forecast

The following is the forecast for local soccer programme this week:

SATURDAY
First Division
Club v Eastern
(Club, 4 p.m.)
Referee:—Stedman.
Linesmen:—Waldron and Aylwin.
Kowloon v Middlesex
(Kowloon, 4 p.m.)
Referee:—Ottoway.
Linesmen:—Brothwell and Silva.

Police v Navy
(Boundary Road ground, 4 p.m.)
Referee:—Clarke.
Linesmen:—Smith and Wyper.
Second Division
Engineers v R.A.O.C.
(Military, 4 p.m.)
Referee:—Omar.
Club v Eastern
(Club, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Havelaar.
Kowloon v Middlesex
(Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Ip.

Police v 5th R.A.
(Boundary Road ground, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Kossick.
Third Division "A"
30th R.A. v Royal Scots
(Sookunpoo, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Hooper.
Electric v South China
(Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Edwards.
Kit Che v Stanley
(St. Joseph's, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Marriott.
5th R.A. v P.W.D.
(Military, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Farr.
R.E. (C.) v R.A.S.C.
(Sookunpoo, 4 p.m.)
Referee:—Burgess.

Third Division "B"
Powhattan v R.A.F.
(Caroline Hill, 4 p.m.)
Referee:—McIlgrew.
Stonecutters W/S v R.E. (E.)
(Chatham Road, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Gamlin.
A.S.A. v Medicals
(Chatham Road, 4 p.m.)
Referee:—Phillips.
Signals v 24th R.A.
(Prince Edward Road, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—J. Somerville.

SUNDAY, 8TH JANUARY, 1939
First Division
Kwong Wah v Royal Scots
(Kowloon, 4 p.m.)
Referee:—Molyneux.
Linesmen:—Demmee & MacLaughlan.

Second Division
South China v St. Joseph's
(Caroline Hill, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—MacCormac.
Kwong Wah v Royal Scots
(Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Finch.

Third Division "B"
University v Kumaon R.
(Club, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—Sze Po Wai.
WEDNESDAY, 11TH JAN., 1939.

Third Division "B"
Air Force v University
(Kowloon, 2.30 p.m.)
Referee:—McIlgrew.

"REVIEWER'S" SPORTS COMMENTARY

8-Weeks Lawn Tennis Rule Rejected

The advocates of the eight-weeks expenses rule for players, endorsed by the International Federation and valid in virtually every country abroad, were defeated at the annual meeting of the Lawn Tennis Association in London yesterday.

Of the attending delegates 78 voted for and 72 against the reform. When the proxy votes were subsequently counted there was an adverse majority of 65 votes. The votes in favour were 439, those against 374. A two-thirds majority had been necessary.

Nearly every speaker admitted there were pros and cons; it was a question over which consciences clashed and evolution was at variance with tradition. Sir Samuel Hoare, the president, who was re-elected for his seventh year, opened the meeting by emphasising the division of opinion and giving a summary of the arguments both in favour and against. He said that at a recent council meeting the voting had been exactly level and he himself had given a casting vote.

Introducing his motion that the L.T.A. should come into line with other countries, Mr. F. T. Stowe, the Middlesex County captain, declared that the "eight weeks" rule would have a cleansing effect and remove the dangers of subterfuge which were inimical to the game's best interests. Amid much laughter he drew an imaginary picture of the prodigal son committing every conceivable sin, including the cashing of his prize vouchers, returning to the office of the L.T.A. and there receiving fine raiment and a free racket from the secretary.

With other Biblical allusions a sly suggestion that the president of the Association was legislating for lawn tennis players when he introduced his prison reform bill, Mr. Stowe pleaded for a more enlightened policy towards the young and impecunious player.

Mr. Wallis Myers, speaking not in his capacity as chairman of the International Club, but as the delegate of a club with 15,000 members, presented the view of the average man outside the Council Chamber. He did not think the "eight weeks" rule was the ideal solution of a thorny problem, but equity and common sense would be served by its passage, and amateurism, which they were all out to defend, would be strengthened by accepting a rule that, like the rules of the game itself, was common to all countries.

He acknowledged that Wimbledon was, as an official tournament, in a privileged position, but if Wimbledon, like the King, could do no wrong, it had obligations, as the headquarters of the game, to its numerous satellites.

It was anomalous for a provincial tournament committee, following the precedent of Wimbledon, to receive the entries of foreign competitors and to contribute to their maintenance during the tournament, while, according to the present interpretation of the amateur rule by the Association, they would be penalised if they offered the same hospitality to a British player. The distinction had the effect of alienating the home player from the governing body, while placing too heavy a strain on the consciences of competitors and executives.

Mr. E. R. Avory was in favour of the rule's adoption and its rigid enforcement. The present position, he thought, was enervating to the game. Mr. F. C. Lohden, a Vice-President, recalled that the British deputation to Paris five years ago had supported the International Federation when it adopted the "eight weeks." They were in fact, the sponsors of the rule.

Sir Samuel Hoare, having a political engagement in the country, was obliged to vacate the chair before the discussion ended, giving up his seat to Mr. P. H. Stevens, the chairman. Had he remained he would have found that the hidden power of the proxy vote had been well organised, and that councillors, adverse to any change had done good spade work in their own constituencies before the meeting.

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Final T.T. Rugby Game To-day

NAVY MEET ARMY AT CAUSEWAY BAY

(BY "REFEREE")

The last game in this year's Triangular Rugby Tournament will take place on the Navy ground at Causeway Bay to-morrow, when the Army will play the Navy. The match will commence at 4.00 p. m., and will be refereed by Dr. J. A. R. Selby.

Royal Navy, by defeating Club first fifteen last Saturday by 14 points to 3, have retained the Triangular Tournament Trophy and the result of to-day's encounter will have no bearing on the championship.

Navy will not be at full strength as they will miss the services of Lt. Walters and Lt. Anderson, who are away from the Colony on H.M.S. Olympus and Lt. Lewis, who will probably be sailing for the North to-day on the cruiser Birmingham. A. B. Thatcher

TABLE TO DATE

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Navy	3	3	0	60	16	6
Club	4	2	2	75	43	4
Army	3	0	3	15	91	0

who injured his knee a fortnight ago, is still out of the game.

In spite of these absentees, however, Navy are expected to win comfortably as both Ldg. Tel. Kelly and Pay. Mid. Hankin, the new right and left-wing threequarters, have represented the Navy before. The only newcomer to the Tournament is P. O. King, of H.M.S. Tamar, who will make his debut as a second row forward.

Following the game, His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, will present the Triangular Tournament Trophy to the captain of the Navy side, Lt. Elliott.

There will be a game before the big match, when two Club sides will oppose each other, commencing at 2.45 p.m. These sides have been selected as Whites and Colours:

Royal Navy: Pay. Lt. Stevens (Kent) (1); Ldg. Tel. Kelly (Kent) (2); P. O. Askwith (Dainty) (3); Lt. Skelton (Medway) (4) and Pay. Mid. Hankin

(Kent) (5); Lt. Elliot (Eagle) (6) and Lt. Talbot (Medway) (7); Ldg. Sea. Romans (Eagle) (8); Mr. Witherden (Duncan) (9); Lt. Boddington (Medway) (10); P. O. King (Tamar) (11); Lt. Darling (Medway) (12); Lt. Ogle (Medway) (13); Lt. Griffiths (Medway) (14) and Sub. Lt. Hain (Eagle) (15).

Whites:—M. W. MacGrath; D. I. Bosanquet, F. M. Thompson, G. S. Wilson, H. van Leeuwen; J. Hutchison, E. C. Luscombe; K. A. Watson, K. W. Salter, C. M. Stark; B. Hynes, G. M. Marrs; J. Redman, A. J. G. Taylor (Captain) and W. B. Richardson.

Colours:—J. T. Brown; G. K. Chadwick, H. D. Bidwell (Captain), W. E. Grieve, D. H. Stewart; F. Cessford, J. R. Henderson; R. G. L. Oliphant, W. E. Peers, E. W. Stout; A. F. Walkden, E. A. Bompas; H. W. E. Heath, C. R. Davis and K. H. G. White.

White jerseys will be provided on the Navy ground.

Army:—Lt. Lomax (8th Heavy); Cpl. Pratt (Scaforth's), Lt. Hook (8th Heavy); L. Cpl. Boe (Royal Scots), Pte. Ferguson (Middlesex); L. Sgt. Lang (R.A.O.C.); Cpl. Nealon (Royal Scots); L. Sgt. Page (5th Anti-Aircraft), Lt. Crawford (Signals), Captain, Lt. D'Oyly (Royal Scots); Gnr. Evans (5th Anti-Aircraft), Pt. Berry (Middlesex); Pte. Richardson (Sea-

St. John's Mixed Doubles Badminton Win

In the Mixed Doubles Division of the Badminton League last night, St. John's beat Kowloon Topg by 6 games to 3.

D. Kwok and Mrs. Wilson (St. John's).

beat P. Fletcher and Mrs. Stephens 21—11

beat R. E. Lee and Miss Gonzales 21—12

beat N. A. E. Mackay and Mrs. Castro 21—12

F. Kwok and Miss Cave (St. John's).

beat Fletcher and Mrs. Stephens 21—9

beat Lee and Miss Gonzales 13—21

beat Mackay and Mrs. Castro 24—20

S. Newman and Miss Eardley (St. John's).

lost to Fletcher and Mrs. Stephens 5—21

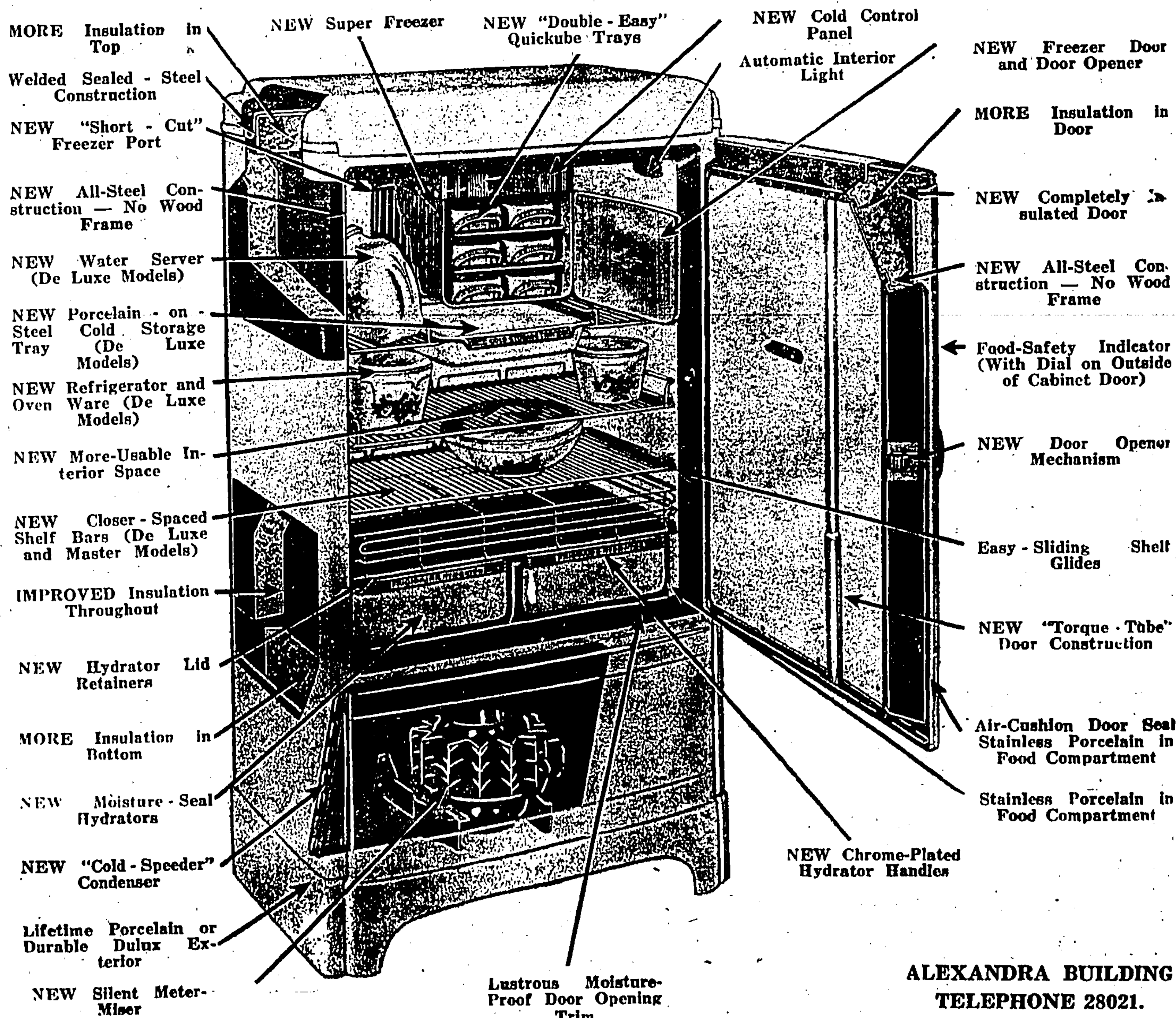
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lost to Mackay and Mrs. Castro 7—21

forths), L. Cpl. Sutherland (Royal Scots), Spr. Appley (Royal Engineers).

Reserves, L. Sgt. Marshall (Royal Scots), Sgt. Black (Royal Scots), Spr. Pike (Royal Engineers).

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Restriction Of Golf Ball: Scottish Union President Criticised

LOTHIAN GOLF ASSOCIATION ALL AGAINST MOVE

(By AIR MAIL)

Criticism was made at the annual meeting of the Lothians Golf Association of the Scottish Union President's declaration in favour of reduction in the power of the ball. The meeting was held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms, Charlotte Square, and was presided over by Lord Mackay, the retiring president, and later by Mr. D. G. Wallace (Kingsknowe), who was elected as his successor.

The ball question was raised by Mr. W. Grieve (Duddingston), who objected to the statement by Mr. R. G. J. Kirk, the Scottish Union president, that the Union were in favour in principle of some restriction, and contended that as the matter had not to his knowledge come before the Lothians Association, or any of their clubs, Mr. Kirk could only speak for himself and those who agreed with him, and that he had given a wrong impression to the R. and A. and the J.A.C. on this matter.

No restriction was needed for the present ball. Not 3 per cent. of the members of any club represented there were playing to the scratch score of their courses, even with their handicaps. The ball was therefore to be limited, because of a few, for 97 per cent. of the club members. (Applause).

Steps The Union Took

Mr. J. MacLachlan (Tantallon) asked whether the Lothians Association had been approached on this matter.

The chairman replied that the Association appointed delegates to the Scottish Union, and they made decisions for them.

Mr. Grieve said that the Lothians Association must refer a question of principle to their clubs.

Mr. R. A. Bruce (Bruntsfield Links Society) explained that the Union had referred this matter to each district with the request that district executives should consider it, and it was because of the preponderance of opinion from the district executives in favour of restriction that the Union president's announcement was made.

HEARTS PLAYER SUSPENDED

The Heart of Midlothian suspended A. Miller, their Scottish international left half-back, for fourteen days, for alleged disobedience. The suspension expired on January 2.



The chairman pointed out that the matter was out of order.

Mr. Grive had previously submitted a motion that in future the annual meeting of the Association should be held some time before the annual meeting of the Scottish Union so that they might know when the meeting was taking place, and what might be coming up there.

The chairman intimated that the Council accepted the motion, and it was unanimously adopted.

Winning Of The Test Rubber

Consensus Of Opinion Favours England

(By AIR MAIL)

Johannesburg.—Close finishes, with the odds slightly in favour of England, are predicted by English and South African cricket experts. The English cricket professionals who are coaching in South Africa, and have a good knowledge of South African conditions, agree in thinking that England will win, but that they will have to fight hard. Experienced South Africans arrive at more or less the same conclusion.

The following interviews have been obtained:—

J. Newman (Hampshire), who is coaching in Capetown, and who has coached in South Africa for some years: "The English team is about as strong as it can be at present. South Africa will be tested to the uttermost, but I think they will do very well."

W. Cornford (Sussex), who has a coaching engagement with the Wanderers Club, Johannesburg: "I think the English team should win the rubber, because they have a ready-made side from the Australian tour, but, mind you, we have some very good bats in this country, and they will give England a good run."

Leslie Townsend (Derbyshire), who is coaching at the Christian Brothers College, Kimberley: "While conditions may alter matters, I can't see the English side losing. The batting of South Africa is sound, and Bruce Mitchell and Dudley Nourse can lay a foundation that would send the score into the 400's—a figure at which I estimate the English side will total in any of the Tests. On account of their greater experience, however, the Englishmen have the advantage and with an opening pair like Hutton and Edrich they will get a flying start."

Emrys Davies (Glamorgan), who is coaching at Kimberley Boys' High School: "I don't think the matches will end in four days on good wickets, particularly if the South African batsmen strike form. England's chances of winning the rubber are more than rosy."

H. W. Taylor, former South African captain: "There are many fine forcing stroke makers in the English side, and they are sure to make plenty of runs in the coming Test matches, but if South Africa can find batsmen who are not content to rely on defensive tactics, there is no reason why there should not be an equal chance of victory."

A. D. Nourse, a former Springbok and father of Dudley Nourse: "Given fine weather, I do not expect any results until the fifth Test match. The Englishmen, however, have a stronger attack in wet weather conditions, but I think there will be a lot of runs scored, and, summed up the chances may just be about fifty-fifty."—Press Association.

I suppose I should be laughed at, but I would like to see Henry Armstrong and Ernie Roderick, Liverpool, meet in this country. Great as Armstrong is, I claim that with 10 lb. weight advantage Liverpool's colourful fighter must have a chance.—Norman Hurst.

PEN SKETCHES OF SOUTH AFRICANS

(By AIR MAIL)

A. MELVILLE.—A polished batsman, who captained Oxford in 1931-2, and also captained Sussex in the County Championship. He has not had a very successful season this year, although his qualities as a leader have long been recognised. Highest score this season 75.

B. MITCHELL.—South Africa's leading all-rounder. Mitchell has often opened the innings for South Africa, and will probably do so in this series, but he is equally at home at No 3. Once set, he is a difficult man to dislodge. He started the season with a string of centuries in club cricket, and also got an impressive century for Transvaal against the M.C.C. He bowls slow spinners, and has taken more wickets in Transvaal cricket than any other bowler so far. He is one of the world's best slip fielders.

A. D. NOURSE.—Son of "Dave." His batting against the 1936 Australian side which toured the Union earned him the reputation of being South Africa's Bradman. An attacking batsman, he holds the record for the highest score made in a Test by a South African—231—against the Australians at Johannesburg in 1936. Goes in No. 4.

A. B. C. LANGTON.—One of South Africa's leading all-rounders, and an automatic selection. Was the "find" of the last tour of England in 1935. Bowls medium-fast, and can make the ball turn either way. Has recently blossomed out as an attacking batsman, and has made 187 not out, the highest score this season.

E. L. DALTON.—Good spin bowler, and a forcing batsman, who, with Langton, holds the ninth wicket record of 137 for South Africa against England set up at The Oval in 1935. Brilliant out-fielder.

W. W. WADE.—Brother of former South African captain. Is a sound wicket-keeper and good batsman.

K. VILJOEN.—Stylish batsman, and scored 97 against Tourists. Can be used as a change bowler (medium-fast).

P. VAN DER BYL.—Old Oxford Blue. Despite his height and ability to hit, is content to spend long periods wearing down the bowling.

E. Q. DAVIES.—Fastest bowler in South Africa. "Swings ball both ways. Played against Australians in Tests in 1936, but without much success. Was injured after the Australian tour, and did not play last season.

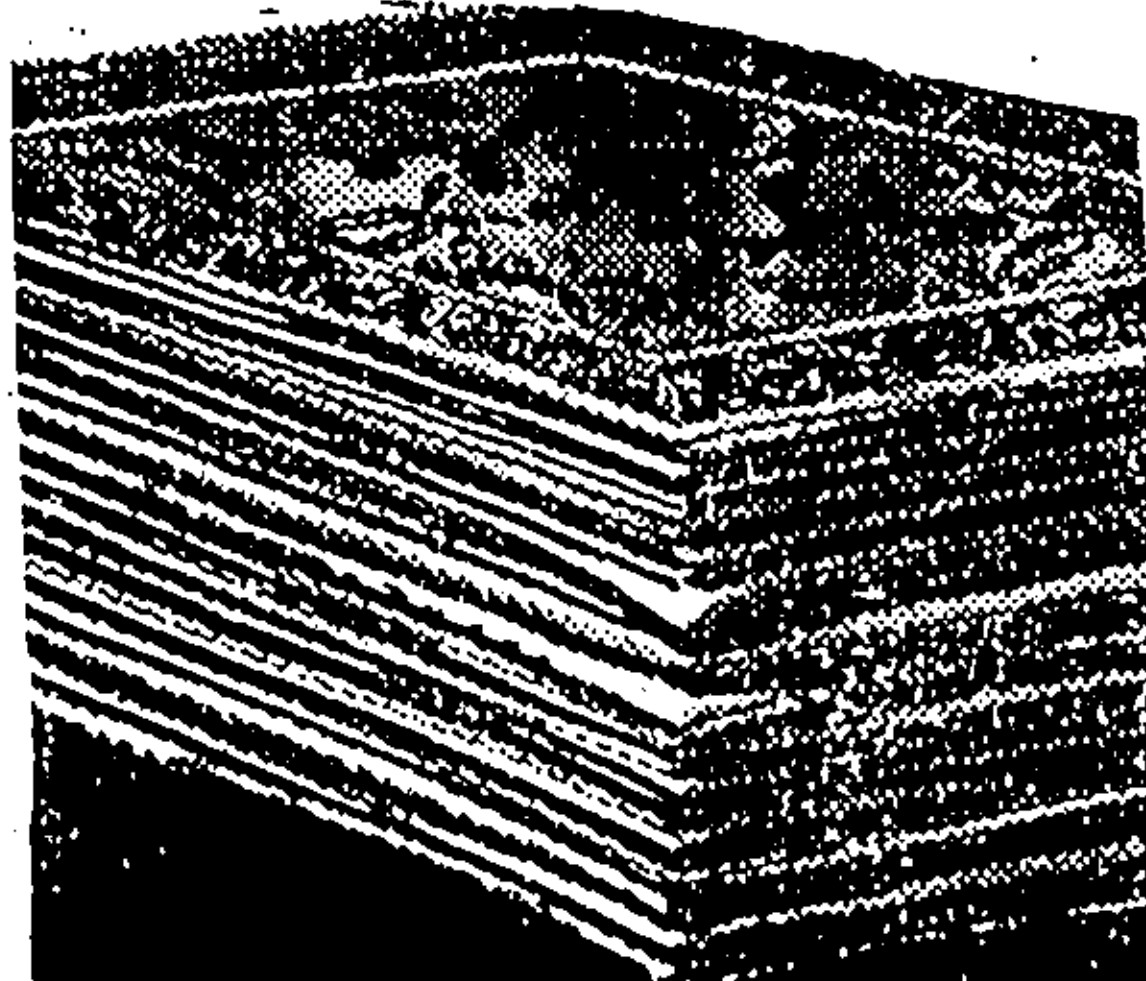
N. GORDON.—Medium-paced bowler, who can bowl for long spells without losing accuracy. Turns ball sharply both ways.

G. BOND.—Regarded as the finest stroke player in South Africa. Had average of 45 for Currie Cup games last season. Also a change bowler.

T. A. HARRIS.—Twelfth man; a Rugby international. A forcing bat, very quick on his feet, and a great near-the-wicket fieldsmen. Played for Griqualand West in Currie Cup cricket while still at school.

Just as the barracker is the worst of all evils and handicaps, so the good spectator—the average man—wins matches. Let's give the devil his due. —Ivan Sharpe.

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LADIES' HOCKEY RESUMES TO-DAY

JUNIOR CRICKET LEAGUE STARTS TO-DAY

Some Interesting Matches

The Junior Cricket League commences this afternoon with a programme of four matches and from now until well into March, League cricket will be the order of the day.

All games down for decision this afternoon should prove of interest—none should prove one-sided.

At Happy Valley, Civil Service will entertain Club de Recreio. The former side are hardly one of the strongest in the competition, but they have one or two rather useful youngsters who might manage to carry them through. On the other hand, Recreio have the makings of a fine combination and if the younger element in the team do not become overawed by the occasion, they should win.

I am not prepared to forecast the result of the I.R.C.-K.C.C. encounter. K.C.C. have done little this sea-

PROGRAMME

JUNIOR LEAGUE

C.S.C.C.	v	Recreio
I.R.C.	v	K.C.C.
P.R.C.	v	Navy
Army	v	Hong Kong C.C.

SENIOR FRIENDLIES

K.C.C.	v	H.K. University Alumni
Recreio	v	C.S.C.C.
H.K.C.C.	v	I.R.C.

son of which they may be proud. Similarly the Indian side cannot be said to have covered themselves with very much glory!

BOWLERS v BATSMEN

Police against Navy at the Valley should develop into a tussle between bowlers and batsmen. Police have two fine bowlers in Pope and Baker but Navy are always capable of knocking up a decent score.

Having regard to the fact that the game is being played on the Police ground—one of the worst in the Colony in my opinion—the custodians of the law should just manage to scrape through.

I do not fancy the chances of Army against the powerful side Club are turning out this afternoon. Actually I feel that if Club can field the same team regularly, they are going to be well up with the leaders at the end of the season.

Three Senior friendlies will complete the programme.

K.B.G.C. RINKS TO MEET GOVERNOR'S RINKS TO-DAY

The following will represent Kowloon Bowloon Green Club against H. E. the Governor's team at Austin Road to-day, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

E. V. Searle, H. L. Lockhart, S. M. White and J. McKelvie (Skip).
H. F. Stoneham, A. E. E. Jeffries, G. N. Mitchell and R. Duhan (Skip).
V. C. Dixon, P. T. Barby, John Watson and S. Randle (Skip).
Reserves:—R. P. Phillips, A. Bower, G. E. F. Thompson and A. Hyde Lay (Skip).

STOP PRESS

BIG MATCH POSTPONED
The "Y" Ladies—St. Andrew's Ladies Caer Clark Cup match has been postponed as the ground is reported to be unfit for play.

CAER CLARK CUP

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
"Y" Ladies	4	3	0	1	10	2	7
St. Andrew's	4	2	0	2	9	4	6
C.B.A. Ladies	4	1	1	2	5	9	4
H.K. Ladies	3	0	2	1	2	4	1
C.B. School	3	0	3	0	0	7	0

BRAWN CUP TABLE TO DATE

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
Seaforth L.	5	5	0	0	11	1	10
H.K. Ladies	5	5	0	0	11	2	10
Recreio "A"	5	4	1	0	13	2	8
D.G. School	4	2	2	0	8	2	4
C.B.A. Ladies	4	2	2	0	9	7	4
"Y" Ladies	5	2	3	0	4	9	4
C.B. School	3	0	3	0	3	9	0
St. Andrew's	4	0	4	0	3	13	0
Recreio "B"	5	0	5	0	0	17	0

SOUTH AFRICA'S TEAM FOR THIRD TEST MATCH

Dalton And Viljoen To Take Part

Johannesburg, To-day.
South Africa's team for the third test match against the M.C.C. (England) which will commence at Durban on January 20 will be as follows:

Alan Melville (Captain), Bruce Mitchell, A. D. Nourse, P. Van der Byl, A. L. Dalton, N. K. Viljoen, N. Gordon, A. B. C. Langton, W. W. Wade, E. Q. Davies.

The eleventh place will probably be filled by either E. A. Rowan or Harry Sparks, of the Orange Free State, who has been invited to attend Durban.

E. L. Dalton, who scored a century in the First Test, but who was dropped for the second, has been reinstated and should strengthen their bowling and batting. Dalton is acknowledged as one of the most brilliant outfielders in the Dominion.

N. K. Viljoen, who injured a hand prior to the last Test and who was forced to stand down in favour of J. Briscoe, also makes a return to the team. Balaskas, the googly bowler, has been dropped.—Reuter.

INTER-HONG SOFTBALL LEAGUE

The following entries have been received for the Inter-Hong Softball League, which was formed at a meeting on December 28:

Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank.
Chartered Bank.
National City Bank of New York.
Nederlandsch Indische Handelsbank.
American Express.
Standard-Vacuum Oil Co.
Asiatic Petroleum Co.
Texas Oil Co.
Petty Officers' Mess, Kowloon.

Entrance fee is \$10 per team and entries will close at 6 p.m. on January 16, when a meeting will be held in the Brook Club to discuss the date for commencement of the League.

Mr. L. R. Idefonso has offered the League the use of the Filipino Club on Sunday afternoons, pending the finding of a better venue.

Besides banks, firms and companies, civilian, military or naval institutions are eligible to take part in the League, which is under the auspices of the Hong Kong Softball Association. Players must be bona-fide members.

'Y' Ladies & St. Andrew's Clash In Deciding Fixture: Mrs. Burke For England

MISS E. GRAY RE-APPEARS IN H.K. LADIES' TEAM: INTERESTING JUNIOR ENCOUNTERS

(By "STICKS")

After a month's interval, Ladies' Hockey resumes this afternoon with a full programme of two Caer Clark and four Brawn Cup matches. The clash between "Y" Ladies and St. Andrew's Ladies, in the senior League, is probably the most important fixture of the season as the result will definitely decide the venue of the trophy.

In the Junior League, both Seaforth Ladies and Hong Kong Ladies have retained their 100 per cent. record, but have not yet met. Their clash on Saturday, January 21, will probably decide the junior championship.

"Y" Ladies seniors will be at full strength against St. Andrew's Ladies, although at one time there was some doubt as to whether Miss Anne Fowler, their left-back, would play, as she had been under doctor's orders recently.

"Y" Ladies will, however, shortly miss the services of their right-back, Mrs. Burke, who is leaving for England on January 23, and who will leave an important gap in the defence which will be hard to fill.

WILL BE CLOSE

St. Andrew's Ladies will also be at full strength and in view of their previous result, when they shared four goals as a result of a late recovery, the champions must be at their best to retain the trophy they have held for the past two seasons.

In the other Caer Clark Cup encounter, Hong Kong Ladies will be fielding a very much stronger team against the Central British School-girls, whom they entertain at the valley.

MISS GRAY RETURNS

Miss E. Gray, Hong Kong Ladies' former captain and one of the finest full-backs in the Colony, makes her first appearance in the series this season following her return from leave, and should considerably strengthen the defence.

Their intermediate line remains as before, Miss Pope being at centre-half, but they could make an improvement in their forward line where Miss M. Smalley is wasted on the left-wing.

Miss Parkinson is rightly placed at outside-right with Miss M. Simpson as her supporting forward, but Miss Barry will be an absentee and Miss J. Grieg will lead the line. Mrs. Waddell, who has played on the left-wing, should return to that position as I consider that Miss Smalley would be of much more use as an inside-forward than as a winger, Hong Kong Ladies should, however, secure both points.

MUST BE STOPPED

There are several interesting changes in junior teams. Seaforth Ladies, who encounter "Y" at Shamshui, should win comfortably although if the "Y" can "bottle-up" Mrs. Akroyd, they might stand a chance of at least sharing the spoils.

Central British Association will not be as strong as usual in attack when they meet Diocesan Girls School on their own ground as Miss E. Woolley, their goalscoring centre-forward will be an absentee. The Diocesan Girls are fairly strong and are quite capable of causing an upset here.

BEST JUNIOR GAME

Recreio "A", who entertain Hong Kong Ladies at King's Park, are fielding their best team and should

TO-DAY'S LADIES' HOCKEY PROGRAMME

CAER CLARK CUP	"Y" LADIES v ST. ANDREW'S
(Happy Valley, 2.45 p.m.)	
BRAWN CUP	H. K. LADIES v C. B. SCHOOL
(Happy Valley, 3 p.m.)	
	D. G. SCHOOL v C.B.A. LADIES
(St. Andrew's, 3 p.m.)	
	SEAFORTH L. v "Y" LADIES
(Shamshui, 3 p.m.)	
	ST. ANDREW'S v RECREIO "B"
(St. Andrew's, 4 p.m.)	
	RECREIO "A" v H. K. LADIES
(Recreio, 3 p.m.)	

TO-DAY'S TEAMS

The following are some of to-day's teams competing in the Caer Clark and Brawn Cup Leagues:—

CAER CLARK CUP

"Y" Ladies:—Mrs. M. Read; Mrs. R. Burke and Miss A. Fowler; Mrs. Stone, Miss M. McCaw and Mrs. Williams; Mrs. O. Burnett (Captain), Miss B. Harker, Miss H. Bockler, Miss M. Smith and Miss M. Westcott.
St. Andrew's Ladies:—Miss J. Hall; Miss G. White and Miss M. da Roza; Miss P. Pettigrew, Miss J. Wong and Miss H. Reid; Miss F. Wong, Miss E. Churn, Miss P. Gittins (Captain), Miss E. Greiner and Miss I. Gittins.

H. K. Ladies:—Mrs. J. Lunson; Miss E. Gray and Miss I. Hutchison; Mrs. J. G. Dalziel, Miss B. Pope and Miss A. Purvis; Miss J. Parkinson, Miss M. Simpson, Miss J. Greig, Mrs. W. Waddell and Miss M. Smalley.

BRAWN CUP

C.B.A. Ladies:—Miss P. Macfayden; Miss L. Dunne and Miss V. Beaumont; Mrs. A. Webb, Miss C. Bone and Miss M. Duckworth; Miss B. Louis, Mrs. J. Crawford, Miss M. McAlpine, Miss K. Winch and Miss E. Hunt.

St. Andrew's Ladies:—Mrs. R. Rose; Miss D. Chow and Miss J. Broadbridge; Miss M. Newman, Miss M. Vessouana and Miss H. O'Sullivan, Miss P. Jeffreys, Miss Y. Ho, Miss M. Churn, Miss S. Roberts and Miss T. Jex.

Recreio "A":—Miss Z. Barros; Miss M. Ribeiro and Miss O. Botelho; Miss M. Silva, Miss P. Gonsalves and Mrs. L. Silva; Miss B. Remedios, Miss M. M. da Roza, Miss C. Silva, Miss A. Alves and Miss M. da Roza.

H. K. Ladies:—Miss S. Baskett; Miss R. Smith and Miss O. Green; Miss M. Sleep, Miss G. Swan and Mrs. V. Gordon Smith; A. N. Other, Miss R. Smalley, Mrs. N. K. Littlejohn, Miss M. Middleton-Smith and Miss V. Blackburn.

"Y" Ladies:—Miss A. Ambrose; Miss S. Bruce and Mrs. Trimmer; Miss N. Hurst, Miss I. Buchanan and Miss J. Seath; Miss C. Turbyne, Miss R. Dairne, Miss V. Bradbury, Miss N. Eardley, and Mrs. K. Grant.

provide one of the best encounters of the day as Hong Kong Ladies will be taking no chances. The latter are fielding a very strong team in which Miss O. Green, former senior full-back, will be partnering Miss R. Smith. At the moment Hong Kong Ladies lack a right-winger.

Providing the weather clears up in time, some high scoring should result as most of the clubs have been hard at practice and are very fit following the Christmas and New Year holidays.

Relay of F.A. Cup From London

12.12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Kilguy (Piano), Miliza Korjus (Soprano) and The Boston Promenade Orchestra.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal, and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Alfred Piccaver (Tenor) and the London Palladium Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Router and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—New Dance Music and Variety.
Dance Orch.—I'm Gonna Lock My Heart—Quick-step; There Goes My Affection.... Maxwell Stewart's Ballroom Melody.
Humorous Monologue—Out With The Guides (Marshall)..... Arthur Marshall.
Fox-Trots—Goodbye To Summer; Sixty Seconds Got Together..... Carroll Gibbons & the Savoy Hotel Orpheans with vocal chorus.
Vocal—Du Soleil Dans Ses Yeux (Claret); Je Crois N'Avoir Jamais Aime (French film 'Premiere').... Dania accomp. by Wal-berg & His Orchestra.
Vocal—I Used To Be Colour Blind (film 'Carefree').... Fred Astaire with Ray Noble & His Orchestra.
Hawaiian Music—Broadway's Gone Hawaii (film 'Love and Hisses'); Farewell Hawaii (Phillips).... The Hawaiian Islanders with Vocal Chorus.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—Dance Music & Variety.
Dance Orch.—Golden Heart—Fox-Trot; Thru' The Courtesies Of Love—Fox-Trot.... Billy Thorburn & His Music with vocal refrain.
Piano & Vocal—Cabin On The Hill—Top (film 'Walking On Air'); Miracles Sometimes Happen (Murray).... Turner Layton.
Dance Orch.—Dandelion, Daisy And Daffodil—Comedy Waltz; Me And The Moon—Slow Fox-Trot.... Billy Cotton & His Band with Vocal Chorus.

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Request Programme: Dance Music

Piano—I Have A Heart For Lovely Women—Waltz; I Am Playing Farewell To You—Fox-Trot.... Fred Stein in Strict Dance Tempo.
Dance Orch.—It's A Sin To Tell A Lie—Slow Fox-Trot; Music In May Waltz (film 'Careless Rapture').... The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
Vocal & Orch.—Medley Of Songs From Shirley Temple Pictures.... Mae Questal (The Betty Boop Girl) with Victor Young & His Orchestra.
Dance Orch.—Buscando Millonaria—Rumba; El Adios Del Boyero—Tango.... Orquesta Tipica Roberto Firpo.
Vocal—Das Ist Die Liebe Der Matrosen (Heymann).... The Melody Gents with Orchestra.
6.45 p.m.—London Relay—'Steamboat'. A programme of variety, music, and drama from our floating playhouse, reviving for you some of the glories of the old showboat days. The cast will include: Dick Francis as The Showman; Lorna Stuart; Brian Lawrence; Jack Train; and The Three In Harmony. The Orchestra led by Josef Marais and conducted by Jack Clarke. The programme devised by Adrian Thomas and presented by William MacLurg.
7.25 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
7.27 p.m.—Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's 'Iolanthe' and 'The Mikado'.
'Iolanthe'
Loudly Let The Trumpet Bray!
.....Chorus of Men.
In Vain To Us You Plead.... Nellie Walker, Alice Moxon; Derek Oldham, Darrell Fancourt, and Chorus of Girls.
When I Went To The Bar.... George Baker.
When Darkly Looms The Day.... W. Lawson, N. Briercliffe, D. Oldham, L. Rands, D. Fancourt

and Male Chorus.
My Lord A Suppliant At Your Feet.... Nellie Briercliffe.
It May Not Be.... George Baker, Nellie Briercliffe, Bertha Lewis and Chorus of Girls.
'The Mikado'
Our Great Mikado.... George Baker and Chorus of Men.
Young Man Despair.... L. Sheffield, D. Oldham and G. Baker.
And Have I Journey'd.... D. Oldham and L. Sheffield.
So Please You, Sir.... E. Griffin, A. Davies, B. Elburn, L. Sheffield & Chorus of Girls.
Were You Not To Ko-Ko Plighted.... E. Griffin & D. Oldham.
I Am So Proud.... Leo Sheffield, Henry A. Lytton and George Baker.
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Request Programme.
Dance Orch.—Bugle Call Rag—Fox-Trot; Tiger Rag—Fox-Trot.... The Ballyhooligans.
Vocal—Chinatown, My Chinatown (Jerome Schwartz).... Mills Brothers Quartet with Guitar.
Mouth Organ—Night Over Shanghai (film 'The Singing Marine').... Larry Adler (The Mouth Organ Virtuoso) with Orchestra.
Vocal—Happy As A Lark (film 'Breaking The Ice').... Bobby Breen with Victor Young and His Orchestra.
Orch.—'The Merry Widow' Waltz (Lehar).... Marek Weber & His Orchestra.
Vocal—Ah! Sweet Mystery Of Life (film 'Naughty Marietta').... Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Male Chorus & Orchestra.
Orch.—Destiny (Baynes).... De Groot & His Orchestra.
Vocal—When I Grow Too Old To Dream (film 'The Night is young').... Evelyn Laye (Soprano) with Orchestra.
Orch.—'Glamorous Night'—Selection (Novello).... Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra cond. by Charles Prentice.
Vocal—Solitude (De Lange, Mills).... The Mills Brothers (Four Boys and a Guitar).
Orch.—My Own (film 'That Certain Age'); You're As Pretty As A Picture (film 'That Certain Age').... Henry King & His Orchestra.
Vocal—Moonlight And Shadow (film 'Jungle Princess'); Thanks For The

Memory (film 'Big Broadcast of 1938').... Dorothy Lamour with Orchestra.
Dance Orch.—The Moon Of Manakora—Waltz (film 'The Hurricane').... Mario De Fio and His Orchestra with vocal refrain.
8.50 p.m.—London Relay—'London Log'.
9 p.m.—Request Programme Cont'd.
Dance Orch.—Swing As Sure To Sway—Quickstep (film 'The Baba Goes to Town').... Harry Roy & His Orchestra with vocal refrain.
Vocal—Alexander's Ragtime Band (from the film); Dania (Young-Hast).... The Dunsell Sisters with Guitar Accomp.
Dance Orch.—Onoe—Fox-Trot.... Benny Goodman & His Orchestra.
Vocal & Orch.—Lover, Come Back To Me (Romberg).... Maudie Bailey (vocal) and Her Orchestra.
Dance Orch.—Blue Danube Swing—Fox-Trot.... Eddie Carrou & His Swingphone Orchestra.
Dance Orch.—Parson My Love—Fox-Trot.... 'Fats' Waller & His Rhythm with vocal refrain and piano by 'Fats' Waller.
Dance Orch.—Goodnight, My Love—Fox-Trot (film 'Stowaway').... Jack Hylton & His Orchestra with vocal refrain.
Vocal—Aloha Oe (Kennedy).... Bing Crosby with Dick McInure & His Harmony Hawaiians.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.
(a) Duello Criollo; (b) Rodriguez Pena; (c) Son Retozon; (d) Gloria de Granada.
10.05 p.m.—Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.
10.10 p.m.—(a) I've got a date with a dream; (b) Walking Stick; (c) Music Maestro Please; (d) My Melancoly Baby.
10.25 p.m.—Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.
10.35 p.m.—(a) Solitude; (b) Yam; (c) Basin Street Blues; (d) Song of India.
10.50 p.m.—Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.
11.15 p.m.—(a) Tales from the Vienna Woods; (b) Le Bonheur qui passe; (c) On the Hills of Manchuria; (d) Daisy.
11.15 p.m.—London Relay—Association Football. A commentary on a match in the third round of the F. A. Cup Tie.
12.15 a.m.—Close down.

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ACE... 3
KING... 2
QUEEN... 1
JACK... 0
TOTAL VALUE OF PAIR IN
MESSAGE HAND 5-76

South, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

♠ 7 6 3
♥ Q 5
♦ J 9 6 4
♣ A 8 7 3
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♠ J 8 5 4
♥ 10 9 8 3
♦ Q 10 4
♣ Q 10 4
♠ A K 10 9
♥ K 7 3
♦ A 2
♣ K 9 8 5
Mr. Schamberg

The bidding:
South West North East
1♠ 20 Pass Pass
2NT Pass 3NT Pass
Pass Pass

of his opponent's two diamond overcall. Had he done so, his partner would have left in the double and a nice penalty would have been gathered in. Mr. Schamberg chose instead to try for game in notrump and succeeded with a little help from his opponents.

West opened a small heart and Mr. Schamberg properly went up with dummy's Queen. A spade was led, Declarer finessing the nine and West winning with the Queen. West now made a fine shift to the Jack of clubs, and Declarer played low from dummy. At this point East should have overtaken with the Queen. Had he done so, he would later have been able to get in with the club ten and lead a heart through the King. As it was, East played low and Mr. Schamberg, allowing it to hold, won the next club lead, then ran the remainder of the club suit. He next finessed the ten of spades, then cashed his Ace and King.

At this point Declarer held the King and one heart and the Ace and one diamond, his West opponent, the Ace-Jack of hearts and the King-Queen of diamonds. Declarer cashed the Ace of diamonds and threw West in with the King, and Mr. Schamberg's King of hearts then won the ninth trick.

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What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE ALHAMBRA & QUEEN'S
—'Men With Wings', with Fred MacMurray, Ray Milland, Louise Campbell, Lynne Overman, Andy Devine, Porter Hall. The picture traces the history of aviation from the dawn of the twentieth century, when the Wright Brothers made their never-to-be-forgotten flight, down to the present day of luxury airliners, round-the-world flights, super bombers and transatlantic transportation.

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To avoid contravention of the Ordinance, consumers are requested to employ only licensed plumbers on work to be done to services connected or to be connected to the Water Works.

R. M. HENDERSON,
Water Authority.
Public Works Department.
Hong Kong, 6th January, 1939.

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AND DURHAM
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The Inaugural Dinner of this Association is to be held in the Hong Kong Hotel (Roof Garden) on Friday, January 13th, at 7.30 p.m. for 8.00 p.m.

Dinner dress is optional.

Anyone from the two Counties who wishes to attend the Dinner should communicate as soon as possible with the undersigned.

W. MULCAHY,
Hon. Secretary,
4, Braga Circuit, Kowloon.

SOCIETY OF
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ANNUAL BALL, 1939.

Members are reminded that it is proposed to hold the above function on Friday, 20th January, 1939.

It will prove of considerable assistance to the Secretaries if lists of guests are sent as soon as possible to their offices, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

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By Order,
S. W. CHENG,
Secretary.



PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 9th day of January, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Sau Chuk Yuen Road, Kowloon City, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in sq. feet.	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
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On June 30th last the Certificates of Indebtedness outstanding amounted to \$191,034,887, which is equivalent to £11,914,806 at 1s. 2.31-32d. the middle market rate on that day; the total assets of the Fund amounted to £13,012,872, of which 73.05 per cent. was held in gilt edged sterling securities, 26.91 per cent. on deposit in London at call or short notice and .04 per cent. in silver.

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HUNGARY MAKES DEMARCHE IN PRAGUE

(Continued from page 1)

Ukrainian irregulars are stated to have slipped into Hungarian territory at night and to have hid themselves in empty houses in the parish of Orozveeg, near Mukacevo. —Reuter.

CZECH INQUIRY

Prague, To-day. An official communique issued here concerning the incidents at Munkacz states that a shooting affray occurred yesterday morning in the neighbourhood of Munkacz on the frontier between Czechoslovakia and Hungary. No details are yet known.

Czechoslovak officers have been sent to the spot in order to enquire into the matter. A report that the Czechoslovak Government had lodged a protest in Budapest on account of the incident at Munkacz did not correspond to the facts.

NO FIRING AT 8 P.M.

PRAGUE, TO-DAY.

IT IS REPORTED FROM CHUST, THE CAPITAL OF RUTHENIA, THAT NO MORE FIRING ON THE BORDER COULD BE HEARD AT 8 O'CLOCK LAST EVENING.

The Hungarians are accused of violating the frontier, as well as of attacking the gendarmes, in a statement made to Reuter by official quarters in Bratislava.

It is stated that the Hungarians crossed the demarcation line near the village of Rozvecov. —Reuter.

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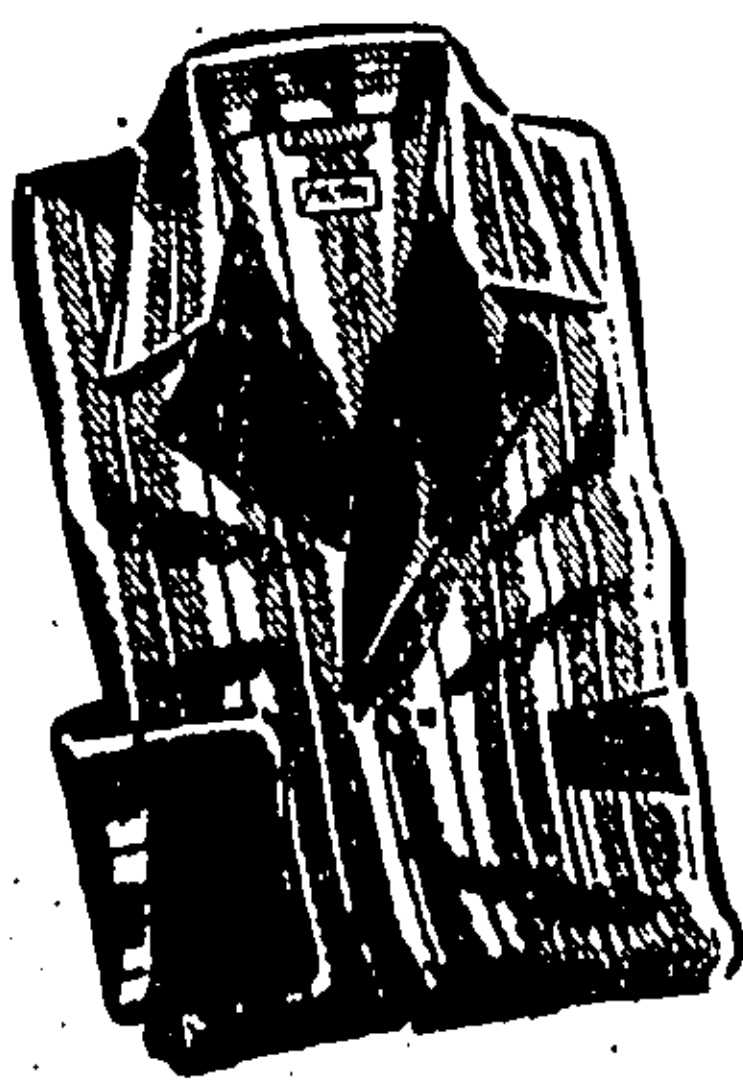


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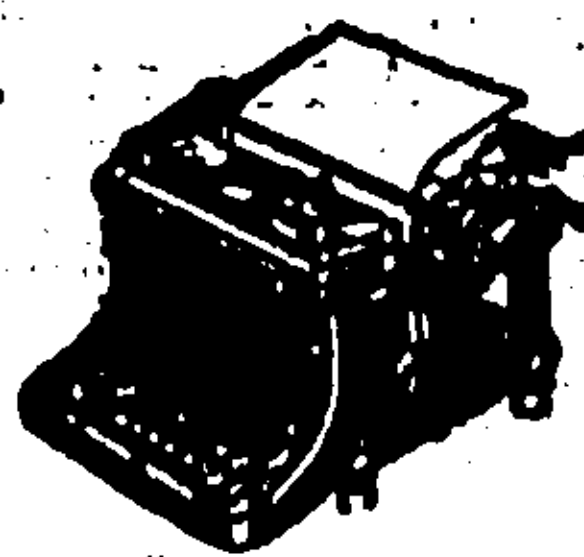
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